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JAPANESE WARSHIPS MAKE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS TO ADVANCE ON WEST RIVER

Troops Withdrawn Suddenly: Stationed Farther South

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean)—Chinese reports received here to-day at noon state that 5,000 Japanese arrived at Canton and that further Japanese detachments are expected. Military circles believe, therefore, that operations in South China will soon be resumed. According to latest reports Japanese ships repeatedly made unsuccessful attempts to advance on the West River near Samshui. Japanese warships assembled between Waichow Island and Pakhoi shelled the Chinese land batteries without, however, causing much damage.

Special attention is attached to reports that Japanese troops advancing along the Canton-Hankow Railway have suddenly been withdrawn from Chuantien and Hawsien and stationed farther south for reasons still unknown. Regarding operations in Central China it is reported that the Japanese thrust against Ichang, Kingshan and Chiahshang, 130 kilometres northwest of Hankow has been checked. The situation in Shansi province is unchanged at present.

According to Chinese reports fighting near Hotsten is being continued with varying success.

SOVIET MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR CHINA INCREASES

TIENSIN, Jan. 23 (Int'l)—Soviet military assistance to the National Government through the northwest route has recently become increasingly active. A foreign report states the Soviet trained 14th Reconstruction Division is already in Lanehow.

At the end of last year about 100 Soviet-made aeroplanes and a large number of bombs had been brought to Paochi-hsien, in west Shensi. Soviet-trained and Russian troops were seen at that time driving motor cars in the region. It is said that 30 Soviet-made cannon and 2,000 bombs have arrived in Tungwan, and two high Soviet officers were reported to have had an interview with Gen. Wei Li-huang, Commander-in-Chief of the First War Zone, at Leyang.

It is disclosed, added the same report, that Russia is giving increasing military assistance to China following the liquidation of the Wang Ching-wei group.

TWO HUNDRED HEAVY BOMBERS FOR CHINA

Delivery From U.S. In March

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (Int'l)—Two hundred heavy bombers, contracted by the Bellanca Aircraft Corporation in the United States for the Chinese Government, will be delivered by March, according to a Washington dispatch to the "New York Herald-Tribune."

The planes will be armed with five machine-guns and be capable of carrying seven bombs up to a weight of 300 pounds each. It is understood that the contract specifically makes the Bellanca Corporation, one of the largest aircraft manufacturers, responsible for the delivery.

A tentative contract, according to this paper, was signed on August 9 by the company's representatives and Dr. H. Hsu, Chinese councillor of aeronautical affairs. This was recently approved by the Chinese Government which will pay cash on delivery.

The "Herald-Tribune" understands that the money will probably come from the Chinese Government's dollar balances built up through the sale of silver to the United States Treasury.

SUFFERED FROM INSOMNIA

Inquest On Colonel Russell-Brown

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuters)—It was stated at an inquest held to-day that Colonel Claude Russell-Brown, C.B., D.S.O., who was found shot at his home at Baron's Court, London, on January 19, suffered terribly from insomnia.

A verdict that the deceased took his life while the balance of his mind was disturbed was recorded. The late Col. Russell-Brown was Chief Engineer to the China Command from 1924 to 1928, and was 65 years of age.

The first German Minister to Saudi Arabia, Dr. Grobba, arrived by plane from Baghdad. The Saudi Arabian authorities cordially welcomed the German Minister on his arrival.

WAR IN SPAIN REBELS EXERT PRESSURE ON CATALAN FRONT

Eight Air Raids On Barcelona

BARCELONA, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean)—The Republican Defence Ministry issued the following communiqué early this morning:

On the Catalan front the enemy forces exerted heavy pressure in the Igualada and Vilafraña sectors. They succeeded in improving their advance positions. Heavy fighting is still in progress in the San Saturn de Noya sector where the Italian Littorio division is engaged.

Republican planes, flying at a low altitude, machine-gunned enemy troop concentrations.

National Spanish planes carried out eight bombing raids on Barcelona yesterday. The exact number of casualties has not yet been established.

The harbour section of Valencia was likewise bombed by Nationalist planes yesterday.

"STATE OF WAR"

PARIS, Jan. 23 (Reuters)—As a further measure of defence the Republican Spanish Cabinet in Barcelona has decided to declare a "state of war," and a drastic form of martial law throughout the Republican territory, according to a despatch received here.

It is also announced that the seat of the Government will remain in Barcelona the statement being made to counter reports that the Cabinet intended to move to another city.

DEL VAYO IN PARIS

PARIS, JAN. 23 (T/Ocean)—The Republican Foreign Minister, Senor Del Vayo, unexpectedly arrived here from Geneva yesterday. It is not known, however, whether he had conversations with French political quarters and how long he will stay in Paris.

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GALES CAUSE LOSS OF 10 LIVES

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuters)—The gales which are sweeping the southwest of England have caused the loss of ten lives.

Seven were drowned when the St. Ives, Cornwall, lifeboat capsized in a terrific gale in St. Ives Bay while answering a distress signal from a small steamer which went ashore.

A 70-mile-an-hour gale wrecked a Devonport house in which 12 persons were sleeping and all were buried under the debris. Two children, when dug out, were found to be dead.

The Thames is still flooded and in some parts the river is three feet above level.

AUTHOR OF NON-RECOGNITION PRINCIPLE THANKED

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (Central)—A telegram of congratulation and gratitude in the name of the Chinese people has been sent by the China Branch of the International Peace Campaign to Col. Henry L. Stimson, former Secretary of State of the United States, in connection with his organization of the American Committee for Non-participation in the Japanese Aggression.

"Your famous non-recognition principle," says the telegram, "has led the world to bar Japan's fait accompli in Manchuria from existing legally. Your new activity, when materialized, will undoubtedly undermine Japan's strength and will soon put her aggression to an end. Your success means China's victory and restoration of world peace and justice."



PUPILS OF THE GOVERNMENT Central School (Hongkong) who attended a dinner last Friday night at the Kam Ling Restaurant given by Capt. Walter Bosman. Back row—Left to right: Messrs. Chau Ngan-ting, Lo Suen-wing, Hung Hing-fat, F. K. Lay, Shi Yu-man, M. A. Razack, Ho Wing, Pun Yun-long, and B. Wong Tape. Front row—Left to right: Messrs. Ho Kam-long, Frank W. White, Ho Sing-chow, Chiu Ho-ping, Capt. Walter Bosman, R.E., Pong Tsoi-ching, Yueng Chuk-kai, Lo Sing-lau, Ip Lan-chuen, and Pang Shau-chun. Their ages total 1,104 years.

MOBILIZATION OF SWISS TROOPS

Rumours Declared Unfounded

BERNE, Jan. 23 (Reuters)—Because of "news from Switzerland" the Government in the canton of St. Gall has strengthened the frontier protection force by one hundred men.

While the nature of the news is not disclosed, rumours of mobilization of Swiss troops for other special measures are semi-officially declared to be unfounded.

FEARS ALLAYED

PARIS, Jan. 23 (Reuters)—A message from Berne published here says that the purpose of strengthening the frontier force is to allay fears of the local population following rumours of troop movements in Austria.

There is no confirmation that there have been any troop movements in Austria.

INVASION OF YORKSHIRE

British Military Manoeuvres

LONDON, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean)—The British army manoeuvres this time will be based on the hypothesis of an invasion of Yorkshire by a "modern steel army" of 50,000 to 60,000 men.

The manoeuvres will be conducted as closely as possible to warlike conditions. The air force will have the task to prevent by fast pursuit planes and bombers the enemy from reaching points.

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SOUTH CHINA WAR

JAPANESE PLANNING TO ATTACK NANNING

May Land In Southern Border Of Kwangtung

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

CHUNGSHAN, January 23—Latest Japanese movements in Kwangtung indicate that they are planning to attack Nanning, an important city in Kwangsi, rather than to invest Wuchow owing to the difficult terrain and the mines on the West River.

The heavy bombing of Yanchow, or Yingchow, south-west of Pakhoi, and the concentration of Japanese warships and transports around Weichow Island, in the Gulf of Tongkin, lend colour to the belief that Japanese troops may make a landing in the southern borders of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, whence an overland attack on Nanning can be undertaken.

Nanning is the political and commercial centre of Kwangsi. A former provincial capital of Kwangsi, that town is close to Yunnan and Kweichow provinces. Nanning is more vulnerable to attacks from landing parties from the Gulf of Tongkin than any other town in Kwangsi.

The delay is due to the fact that the Japanese Prime Minister, Baron Hiranuma, is still hesitating whether he should continue military advance in China to accomplish his objective or by political means. The present lull in South China, apart from skirmishes, is due to the lack of sufficient troops to garrison Canton and vicinity.

Large numbers of Japanese mechanized units are concentrated at Kiuikang (Kowkong) about 50 miles south of Canton, ready to advance southwards toward Hoping, Sunwei and Tolshan, rich districts inhabited by overseas Chinese. The southern districts are mostly level and therefore suitable for mechanized warfare.

"Manchukuo" Troops Trained For Japanese

TWO MILLION IN FIRST BATCH

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (Int'l)—Foreign sources here state that Japan is mobilizing 2,000,000 able-bodied men in "Manchukuo" to be trained as soldiers to reinforce the Japanese army in order to prolong her aggression in China.

An order was issued on January 15 by the Kwantung Army Headquarters that every man from the age of 18 to 40 must serve.

It is arranged that the first batch will include 2,000,000 men aged from 25 to 30. Out of the total, 500,000 will "serve" in the Japanese army while the others will remain "Manchukuoan" troops.

The men are expected to engage in actual fighting in the latter half of the year.

A military council has been formed on January 15 headed by Yu Chih-shan whose task is to carry out the training of the "Manchukuo" troops.

The Japanese government has recently informed the "Manchukuo" authorities that men and money which are to be employed in the present hostilities will be shared by the two countries.

ROYAL WEDDING IN ROME

Couple Received By The Pope

ROME, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean)—The marriage of Prince Louis of Bourbon-Parma to Princess Maria of Savoy, youngest daughter of the King and Queen of Italy took place in the Chapel of the Quirinal this morning.

Among those present at the ceremony, besides the bride's parents and members of the families of the bridal couple, were ex-King Alfonso and ex-Queen Victoria Eugenia, King Boris of Bulgaria, Mussolini and other members of the Cabinet, the Presidents of the Senate and Chamber, members of the diplomatic corps and numerous representatives of foreign Royal Houses.

The bride's witnesses were Crown Prince Umberto and the Count of Turin, those of the bridegroom Prince Xavier and Prince Gaetan of Bourbon-Parma, his brothers.

At 1 p.m. the bride and bridegroom were received in audience by Pope Pius XI.

HITLER'S GIFT

ROME, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean)—Herr Hitler's wedding gift to Princess Maria of Savoy, the youngest daughter of the King of Italy, was presented to her in the presence of the King, Emperor by the German Ambassador.

The present consists of a bowl made in the State porcelain factory Berlin and filled with beautiful orchids cultivated in Germany and brought to Italy by plane.

CHINESE TROOPS' HIGH SPIRIT

French Journalist Impressed

(From Our Own Correspondent)

CHUNGSHAN, Jan. 23 — M. Limon, representing the French magazine "L'Europe Nouvelle" paid a visit to Gen. Yu Hon-mou, Commander-in-Chief of the Fourth Route Army, at his field headquarters on January 20 and joined him in a visit to the front.

Accompanied by Mme. Limon, the French journalist was much impressed by the high spirits of the troops and the co-operation accorded to them by the civil population behind the lines. M. Limon expressed the opinion that, if China continues protracted resistance, final victory will be assured.

The visiting writer also paid a tribute to young men and women engaged in political work, such as giving political instruction to the troops and organizing relief work to the wounded, both combatants and non-combatants.

In the World of Sports

Chinese Cyclists Show Continued Improvement

Local Chinese cyclists continued to show improvement in the time trial promoted by the Hongkong Cycling Club on Wednesday last. A brilliant performance over 10 miles was put up by Kam Yiu-wah, Y.M.C.A., who missed record (Chinese) figures by three seconds only, with a time of 23 mins. 55 secs., putting in an amazing effort in the second five miles of 14 mins. 21 secs.

Fastest figures for a Chinese rider on this course (five miles) is Robert Yuen's 14 mins. 30 secs., but as Kam Yiu-wah's time was made from a flying start no claim for five miles record can be made.

Leung Shui-kwong provided fastest time for five miles with 15.31, leading Kam Yiu-wah by 3 secs., with Chan Kwoon-lam a further 5 secs. in arrears. Robert Yuen at this point showed 15.54, but at 7 1/2 miles was level with Kam Yiu-wah in 21 1/2 mins., when a crash put an end to an effort which promised new 10 miles figures.

The latter went on to win in 29.55, Leung Shui-kwong gaining second place in 31.06, and Chan Kwoon-lam finishing third in 31.09.

Other good performances on ordinary machines were put up by Leung Yu-ye, with 17.23, for 5 miles and 34.37, for 10 miles, and Chan Yung-pang, 18.05, and 38.23, respectively. Chan Kwoon-lam was also, as usual, mounted on an ordinary cycle.

OPEN EVENT

A keen fight for leading honours in the Hongkong Cycling Club's Open 25 miles event on February 5 is promised. All the leading Y.M.C.A. Chinese speedmen will be competing, whilst European opposition will be provided by G. Cottrell, M. J. O'Doherty and others.

Record time for the course, 1:13.30, has stood since 1934, whilst a recent Club event produced a fastest time of 1:25.38. Medals will be awarded to the two fastest riders, and the three fastest non-Club members will be elected to honorary membership of the Club during the current year. Certificates will be presented to all with

GAOL FOR POOLS PLOT

Man Pleads For Two Women

A man and two women were sentenced at Manchester Assizes recently for conspiring to defraud H. Littlewood Ltd. of football pool prize money.

They are: John Henry Bardsley, 44, formerly a police officer of Cook-street, Liverpool, 15 months imprisonment; Mrs. Dorothea Bishop, 44, a widow, of Abbotsford-road, West Derby, Liverpool, six months; and Hannah Margery Brown, 28, single, of Alt-road, Bootle, three months.

The prosecution alleged that Bardsley arranged for Brown, who was employed at Littlewood's, to insert a coupon bearing a winning line in the penny pool sent in by Bishop. The amount divisible was £28,995.

Bardsley's daughter was a witness for the prosecution, and Mr. Justice Croom-Johnson said to the jury: "I do not think anyone can forget the spectacle of the girl giving evidence against her own father, whom she manifestly loved. You could watch the

GERMAN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

BERLIN, Jan. 23 (T.Ocean).—The German covered tennis championship was won yesterday by Friedrich Menzel, who beat Henner Henkel 6-4, 7-5, 6-4.

The women's championship was won by the American, Miss Wheeler, who beat the Hungarian, Miss Somogyi 6-4, 6-4.

In the women's doubles, Miss Wheeler and the German Fraulein Hamel beat Miss Somogyi and Miss Kovac by 6-4, 6-3, and in the men's doubles, Menzel and Metaxa beat Oepfert and Beutner 8-6, 6-4, 6-8, 13-15, 6-4.

In the mixed doubles, the Germans, Hamel and Beutner, beat Miss Wheeler and Metaxa 7-5, 6-3.

DEATH OF "BOY" MCCORMICK

Was Title Holder In 1919, 1922

NEWTON HEATH, MANCHESTER, Jan. 23 (Reuters).—The death has occurred of Noel "Boy" McCormick. He was a sufferer from athlete's heart and was found dead in his own motor car.

McCormick was born in India in 1890. He was British lightweight champion in 1919 and 1922 when he relinquished the title voluntarily.

It is claimed that he was never knocked out.

FANLING GOLF RESULTS

Results of golf matches played at Fanling during the week-end are as follows:—

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Round

H. N. Williamson beat J. W. Mayhew at 19th; N. K. Littlejohn beat R. M. Henderson 3-2; J. Forbes beat J. Harrop 4-3; C. H. Burton beat T. J. Price 5-3; J. L. C. Pearce beat L. M. Wylie at 20th; W. W. C. Shaw beat C. M. Stark 7-5; T. F. R. Waters beat E. Faggiano 1 up; J. S. Dunnett beat C. D. N. Walker 4-3.

BOGEY (PAR) POOL

(Old Course)

T. R. Rowell (18) 1 up wins. There were 25 entries.

LAWN BOWLS MATCH AT TAIPO

An enjoyable bowls match was played at Taiipo on Sunday afternoon in the grounds of the residence of Mr. J. A. Fraser. The players and their wives were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Fraser.

Detailed scores of the match were as follows:—J. Smith, J. A. Fraser, S. Carter and J. Deakin (skip) beat M. N. Rakusen, W. W. Hirst, A. Spary and E. Kern (skip) by 29 shots to 15.

Conflict between her duty and her love for her father.

The jury found all three prisoners guilty after an absence from court of nearly four hours.

From the dock Bardsley pleaded for the women.

"Had it not been for me, neither of these two women would be here," he told Mr. Justice Croom-Johnson. "If you can give me sentence for both of them I should be very much obliged. I am the man to blame and it is on my shoulders that the blame should fall now."

LADIES' HOCKEY INTERPORT

Shai To Entertain Hongkong

Shanghai will entertain Hongkong in the fourth annual Ladies Interport Hockey Series during the Easter holiday period, according to plans made by the local Association, says the "North China Daily News."

The women's Interport was inaugurated in 1935 when Shanghai sent a team to the Colony and lost by 1-11. The next year a return game was played in Shanghai with the same result.

The third of the series took place in Hongkong and the two sides, battled to a tie of 1-1. Because of inconveniences, play was abandoned in the last two years.

Official acceptance of the invitation is expected to arrive in Shanghai soon.

In the meantime, in order to entertain the visitors, the local Association had a Committee meeting and plans were discussed for the holding of a tea dance sometime next month for the express purpose of raising funds.

WINTER GOLF DIFFICULTIES

Problem Of Mud And Worm Casts

NIBLICK ON GREEN

The disinclination of St. Andrews to add to the already large number of rules is probably shared by the majority of golfers.

Many players, in fact, are so discouraged by the formidable array of regulations confronting them at the outset of their golfing careers that they never become really conversant with some of the more fundamental and essential ones.

In the interests of justice and uniformity, however, there does seem a real need to-day for one or two new rules directly necessitated by the prevailing conditions under which most golfers now play, especially during the winter months.

One has in mind particularly the question of mud and worm casts adhering to balls on the putting-greens and balls which have become "plugged" in soft ground.

When the rules of golf were first framed the game was played almost entirely on seaside courses, or at all events on links with light sandy soils, and therefore these problems did not arise.

If they had done one feels sure that the early legislators would not have agreed with the present rulers of the game that these are matters to be left to the discretion of the individual club.

"REAL SPIRIT"

One is forced to conclude that St. Andrews still cherishes the conviction that to allow a player to wipe a lump of mud off his ball on the green or to permit the dropping of a ball which is embedded in soft ground is not quite in the "real spirit" of the game.

This attitude is difficult to understand because it is obvious that in the absence of a local rule present-day players may be confronted with situations which are completely farcical from a golfing point of view and therefore repugnant to the original legislators who went to such pains to ensure that skill rather than chance should become the outstanding characteristic of the game.

A recent experience of a well-known amateur is convincing proof that legislation is overdue.

He was playing this summer in one of the Continental championships, and at one of the short holes he hit what he considered to be the best tee shot of his career, his ball finishing a yard from the hole.

But when he reached the green he found to his annoyance that he could not use his putter as his ball had stuck in the soft green and there was no local rule permitting him to lift and place his ball. He therefore had to take his niblick.

Anything more contrary to the spirit of the game it would be hard to imagine. Whether or not a player should be allowed to drop a "plugged" ball after a bad shot which has finished in the rough

YACHTING WIN FOR ARTEMIS

The third ladies' second series race, of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, took place yesterday afternoon and resulted in a win for Artemis (Miss M. Whitham).

Details were as follows:—

"A" Class.—Started at 14.45

Finished Corr. Pos. Pts.

Artemis 15.20.28 16.20.26 1 19

(Miss M. Whitham)

Eve 16.25.15 16.25.15 7 12

(Mrs. J. Bader)

Isobel 16.23.38 16.23.36 4 15

(Mrs. T. M. Morris)

Joss 16.25.11 16.25.11 6 13

(Mrs. V. MacMillan)

Redshank 16.28.50 16.28.50 8 11

(Mrs. M. N. Luce)

True Blue 16.24.55 16.24.55 5 14

(Mrs. G. D. Adams)

Kittiwake 16.22.46 16.22.46 2 17

(Miss P. M. King)

Jean 16.23.26 16.23.26 3 16

(Mrs. V. Gowlland)

La Linda 16.27.01 16.27.01 9 10

(Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)

Koala, D.N.F. (Miss M. Corrigan).

DE VERTEUIL'S BETTING WINS

"Started With £25, Made £1,000"

Winning of about £1,000 on 12 or 13 bets, starting with £25, were mentioned by Frederick de Verteuil, the disbarred barrister who is serving a term of five years' penal servitude, when he appeared for his public examination at the London Bankruptcy Court recently.

His statement of affairs showed liabilities of £3,649, and no assets.

Replying to Mr. L. A. West, Senior Official Receiver, de Verteuil said that he was called to the Bar in 1909 and practised successfully until 1920 in India. He then returned to England.

He was then solvent, and received an allowance from his father.

SUCCESSFUL NOVEL

He admitted that he was made bankrupt in December, 1928, with liabilities of £1,236, and a dividend of 9d in the pound was paid. He had not applied for his discharge from those proceedings.

From 1927 to 1931 he was engaged in literary work, and he then returned to the Bar.

Mr. West: Were any of your novels really successful?—One of them, yes.

De Verteuil added that he was disbarred last January. Criminal proceedings followed, and he was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

Since he was disbarred he wrote, "Fifty Wasted Years," and had assigned the royalties in respect of it.

Mr. West asked de Verteuil if he could explain various items in his deficiency account, particularly that relating to betting winnings.

De Verteuil replied that for a certain period he, and a man named Kent received information from a trainer of horses.

"I started with £25," he said. "We had 12 or 13 bets and we only lost twice. The information eventually stopped, and I made altogether about £1,000."

Replying to Mr. West, de Verteuil agreed that there was some extravagance in household expenses. He said he had "hoped to get a large sum for an autobiography he wrote, and there was a series of manuscripts which had never been placed."

There was an account of his life, to appear after the trial, for which he was told he might get £2,000 or £3,000.

The examination was concluded.

Is a debatable point, but no golfer disputes the right of a player to a "puttable" ball once he has reached the green.

Nor are there many golfers who seriously believe that it is fair or in the real spirit of the game that a player should be compelled to putt with a ball that cannot roll truly on account of the mud adhering to it.

If it is true that most matches are won and lost on the greens it is surely desirable that nothing should be allowed to interfere with the stipulated roundness and rollability of the ball in this most delicate and decisive department of the game.

CRICKET APPEAL FROM LORD'S

Accuracy Wanted In Modern Bowling

Bowling was the leading theme chosen by Colonel R. S. Rait Kerr when the secretary of the M.C.C. addressed the county "knights of the pen" at Lord's recently.

"If you can do something," he said, "to encourage promising boys to think of accuracy instead of flight or swing bowling, I think bowling would show some improvement, even with present-day wickets." The Colonel did not wish his remarks to be interpreted as a denunciation of ground-men; but he failed to see any definite evidence that the wickets of to-day were enormously different from those of 1910.

Various steps had been taken during the last 40 years or so to help the bowler and yet the bowling aspect of cricket remained most unsatisfactory.

In the Colonel's opinion the real essential difference between the average bowler of to-day and 30 years ago was that the moderns were trying to do more and as a result became less accurate.

Quoting O'Reilly as a brilliant exception and describing him as one of the few great bowlers in the world to-day, the Colonel urged that the greatness of the Australian resided in the fact that his extreme accuracy enabled him to bowl to the field he set.

Speaking of Don Bradman and W. H. Jones, the Colonel said that no two individuals in their several capacity of captain and manager could have been better chosen for the last tour.

After paying tribute to the British Selection Committee, "who came through the fire of an Australian season almost unscathed," he alluded to the experimental eight-ball over for 1939 and revealed the fact that at the first meeting of the Advisory County Committee held after the War the late Lord Hawke had suggested seven balls.

As to the county championship, a large number of alternative suggestions had been sent to him. He had found, however, that if points had been awarded only for finished matches and first-innings points discarded, the first eight counties last year would have remained at the top and the last three counties in 1938 would have remained at the bottom.

For the decline of drawn games much, in his view, was due to the county captains, who had encouraged players to go for a finish.

When Dr. J. Earl Norman was recently elected president of the Minor Counties Association in succession to Mr. R. H. Mallett he

BIG CHANGE IN CONTRACT BRIDGE BIDDING SUGGESTED

A fundamental change in the laws of contract bridge is under discussion in America, but inquiries showed that its adoption is unlikely.

The suggestion is that the two minor suits—Diamonds and Clubs—should be "promoted," so that a successful bid of four in either would score a game, as in Hearts and Spades, although the present suit-precedence would remain unaltered.

The body putting forward this change in the United States is the National Laws Commission, but the American authority responsible for the present laws is the Whist Club of New York.

This club, in co-operation with the Portland Club in London and the Commission Française du Bridge in Paris, framed the code now in use, which will remain valid until January 1940.

"No such alteration in the ratio values of the suits is even contemplated," it was stated at the Portland Club.

One bridge expert favoured the equality of the four suits for scoring purposes on the ground that it had proved a success in the new five-suit bridge, where all the suits except the new one had been made equal. The result had been to give the holders of strong minor suits a fighting chance.

SUB-SLAM BONUS

Another proposal supported by the American Commission is the "sub-slam bonus"—in other words, an "above-the-line" award for calling and making eleven tricks.

Preliminary ideas in regard to the next law revision have already been exchanged between London and New York. It is understood that the 1940 code will simplify and clarify the present rules rather than drastically alter them.

recalled the first meeting of that body at Lord's.

"It took place," he said, "in a small room over the Tavern, and the chairman was really the chairman, for there was only one chair in the room."

The M.C.C.A. decided by 13 to 9 that scoring next season shall be governed by the average system instead of percentage, and this alteration coincides with the system adopted in the first-class championship.

A resolution was carried to the effect that a county must give 12 months' notice in writing to the hon. secretary and to opponents of intention to leave competition, the notice to expire on September 30 in any one year.

Crushed In 120,000 Crowd

While 30,000 fans clamoured for admission outside the closed gates, ambulance men worked feverishly on the hundreds of spectators who fainted in the crush of the largest crowd ever to attend a League match in Great Britain—120,000 at Ibrox Park recently for the match between Rangers and Celtic.

Scores of stretcher cases had to be removed for treatment, and three men were taken to hospital with chest injuries caused by crushing on the terraces.

Gates had to be closed a quarter of an hour before the start, and mounted police had to disperse the crowd outside.

Many of those who had gained admission asked for their money back, saying they could not see the game. Rangers won it by 2-1.

Record attendance for a League match in England is 82,905, set up when Chelsea and Arsenal met at Stamford Bridge in 1935.

All attendance records for any game in Great Britain were broken in April, 1937, when 149,547 saw the Scotland v. England International at Hampden Park.

HOCKEY TEAMS

The following team will represent the 1st XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club in the Triangular Tournament against the Royal Navy on the Club Ground, King's Park, at 4.45 p.m. to-morrow:—

V. M. Benwell, W. G. Schnabel, E. V. Reed, H. J. D. Lowe (Capt.), E. A. Reed, N. B. Whitley, S. A. Fowler, T. D. Whitley, A. H. Pontus, E. I. Bickford and V. C. Bond.

The following will represent the "A" XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Royal Corps of Signals on the Club Ground on Friday at 5 p.m.

W. Brown, J. E. Potter, F. H. Stokes, G. E. R. Divett (Capt.), L. Starbuck, A. M. J. Wright, W. Spencer, R. A. Bates, K. A. Bide-mead, E. F. A. Morgan and I. P. Tamworth.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.

MEETING.—Y.M.C.A. Chess Club, at Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

RUGBY.—H.M.S. Adventure Cup semi-final, Dorsetshire v. Medway.

TO-MORROW

BADMINTON.—B Division, St. Andrew's B v. S and S Home; Recreio v. St. Andrew's A; Kowloon Tong B v. Kowloon Tong A; Chung Wah v. V.R.C.; St. John's v. Wanderers; Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Badminton Tournament, in the West Lounge, All Day; Ladies' Badminton League Match, Y.M.C.A. v. Tai'koo Ladies, 8 p.m.

FOOTBALL.—Third Division (A).

30th R.A. v. R. Scots (Military), 4 p.m.; R. Engineers v. R.A.S.C. (Military), 2.30 p.m. Third Division (B), R.C.S. v. University (Kowloon), 2.30 p.m.

HOCKEY.—Triangular Tournament, Navy v. Club (Club), 4.45 p.m.

RUGBY.—Interport Trial, Probables v. Possibles (Club), 4.45 p.m.

SHOOTING.—Spoon and Practice Shoot (Kowloon City), 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 26

RACING.—Entries close for Grand National Meet at Fanning; Entries close for February Meeting at Macao.

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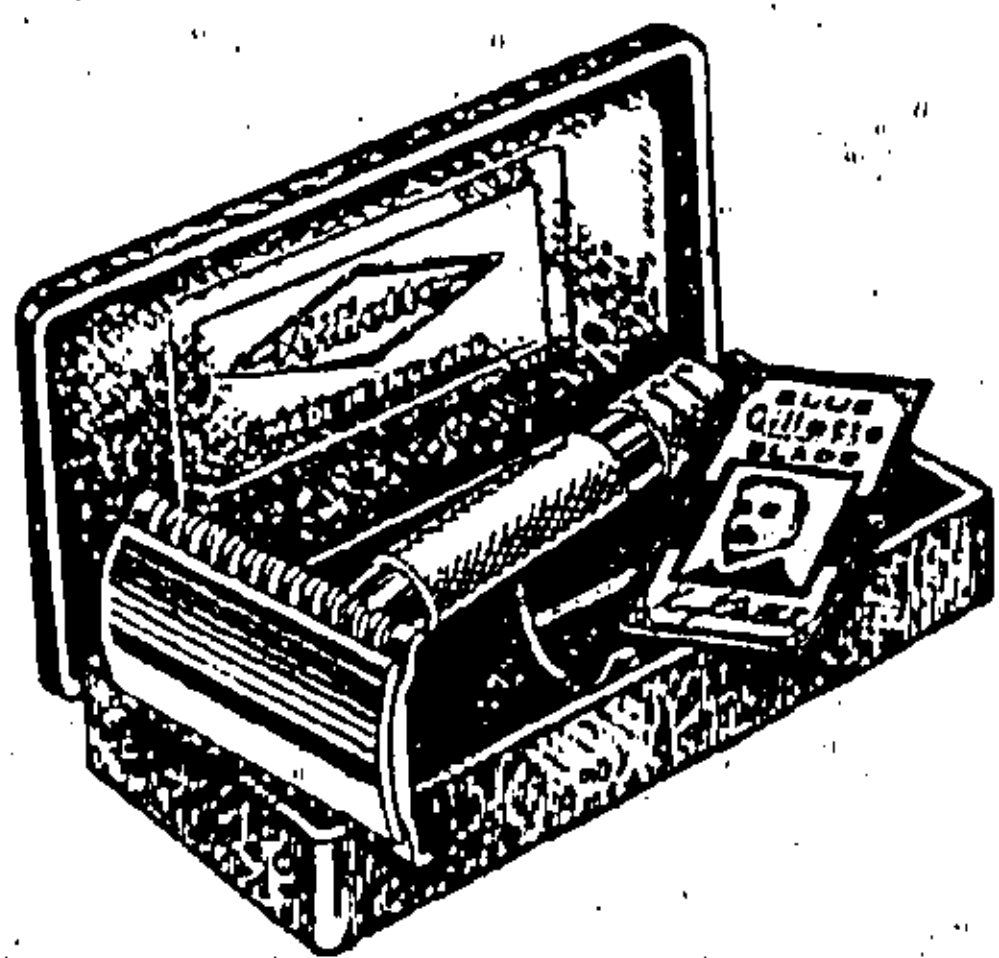
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ROYAL NAVY

FLEET AIR ARM
In order to meet normal Fleet Air Arm requirements of specialists in meteorology and photography, observer officers of less than seven years' seniority as Lieutenant will be needed from time to time to undergo photographic and meteorological courses. Officers should have served for at least one year as confirmed observer. Names of volunteers who are recommended for either of these courses are to be forwarded to the Admiralty.

The establishment of a new manning division for ratings permanently employed on aircraft duties is announced in Fleet Orders.

Their Lordships have approved that when administrative control of the Fleet Air Arm has been assumed by the Admiralty the "Fleet Air Arm Division" shall be formed as an addition to the three Home ports, to which all permanent F.A.A. ratings shall belong, and that all drafting of such personnel shall be carried out from a naval shore air base.

R.A.F. ranks who are transferred to the aircraft maintenance branches of the Royal Navy will be allocated to the new division when it is formed, and in the meantime will be attached to Portsmouth port division. Other naval shore aerodromes, adds the Order, are likely to be established in the vicinity of the naval air base.

A considerable portion of the shore service of F.A.A. personnel will, therefore, occur in the locality, and advantages will arise from attachment to the new division.

DEVONPORT STAFF

Changes have been made in the staff of the Devonport Command. Captain C. P. Fernon-Hodge, D.S.C., will become Chief of Staff and Maintenance Captain, in succession to Captain E. R. Bent, D.S.C., A.D.C., who is now second on the list of his rank and is due for promotion; and Captain W. N. T. Beckett, D.S.C., will become Deputy Superintendent of the Dockyard, and King's Harbour Master for Devonport and Berehaven, in succession to Captain P.

K. Kekewich, who goes to Rosyth as King's Harbour Master and Senior Officer of the Reserve Fleet.

NEW SHIPS

The river gunboat Grasshopper, built by Thornycroft and Co. at Woolston, Southampton, was launched on January 19. On the same day two destroyers were put afloat on the Clyde, the Kevin at the Fairfield yard, Govan, and the Kipling by Yarrow and Co., Scotstoun. The minesweeper Sphinx will be launched by W. Hamilton and Co., Port Glasgow, on February 7.

COMMAND OF THE DEFIANCE
Captain F. N. Attwood, late in command of the cruiser Glasgow, has been appointed to command the Defiance, torpedo school at Devonport, in succession to Captain R. B. T. Miles, who has now completed 11 years as a captain and is due for promotion to flag rank.

DEPARTURE OF THE BERWICK
The cruiser Berwick, Captain I. M. Palmer, D.S.C., has left Portsmouth for the America and West Indies Station, to take the place of the Hobart (late Apollo).

COMMANDER R. F. FEGEN

Acting Commander R. F. Fegen, who in 1936 was appointed to the R.N. Torpedo Factory at Greenock as deputy chief development officer, has been placed on the retired list as commander on reaching the age limit of 45.

NEW SUBMARINE

H.M.S. Ursula, Lieutenant-Commander G. C. Phillips, the last of the three new small submarines of the Unity type, which arrived at Portsmouth on December 22 from the Vickers works, Barrow, left on January 17 on her first cruise to Plymouth, returning on January 28.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—
Cdr.—M. C. Shum, U. H. R. James, to President for duty inside Admiralty (Jan. 11 and 12 respectively); D. T. Dowler, to Caledon (Jan. 16); V. C. Doonan Smith, to President for duty inside Admiralty (Jan. 17); S. N. Blackburn, D.S.C., to Amphion (Jan. 24).

Cdr. (E)—F. V. Stopford, to President for duty inside Admiralty (Jan. 9).

Surg. Cdr.—F. L. H. MacDowell, L.R.C.P. & S., to President for Medical Dept., Admiralty (Jan. 31).
Lt. Cdr.—W. T. W. Curtis, to Hazard, in command (Jan. 28); C. H. Campbell, to Froisher (Jan. 7); N. J. V. T. Thew, to Wrestler, in command; J. Fair, to Cornwall (Jan. 16); J. S. Dailson, to Titania (Jan. 17); J. Pringle, to Cornwall (Jan. 9); T. E. Podger, to Pembroke (Jan. 10); M. J. Evans, to Hood (Jan. 19).

Lt.—W. A. H. Hawkins, to Sarconyx, in command (Jan. 17); J. Wilkinson, to Warspite (Jan. 9); C. K. S. Aylwin, to Royal Sovereign; R. W. Jeffery, to Resolution (Jan. 16); J. A. J. Smith Shand, D. J. Godden, the Hon. W. A. C. Keppel, A. S. Marshall, to Victory for cruise (Feb. 13).

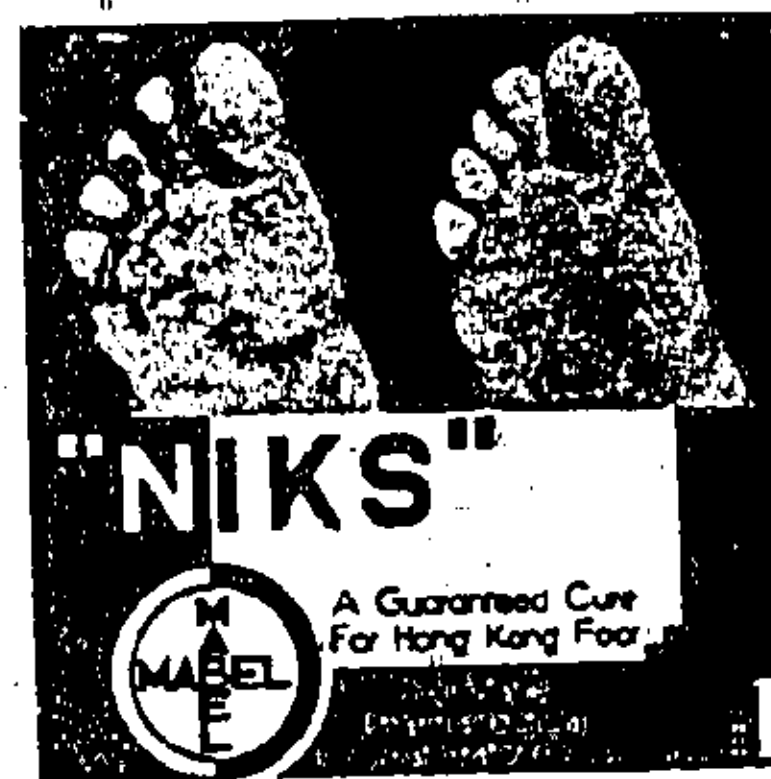
Temp. Instr. Lt.—D. E. Manning, to President for cruise, at R.N.C. Greenwich (Jan. 9).

Sub-Lts.—C. Hutchinson, G. P. W. Edwards, A. Gregory, W. H. Williams, R. D. Wall, C. G. Bush, to Victory for cruise (Feb. 13); G. H. Evans, to Isis (Jan. 7); R. A. Ellis, to Froisher (Jan. 13); F. H. Fox, to Victory for cruise (Jan. 4).

ROYAL AIR FORCE

NEW AIR COMMODORE

Group Captain J. C. Russell, D.S.O., commanding the R.A.F. station at Thorney Island, Emsworth, has been promoted to Air Commodore in the New Year list at the age of 43, and after 24 years' service in the Army and R.A.F.



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10.40—"At Home and Abroad" (A).
11.30—Afternoon Musical Programme (A).
p.m.
3.20—Tiny Tots' Session (A).
4.00—"Calling the Tune" (D1).
4.30—The BBC Empire Symphony Concerts (D1).
5.25—Commentary On News (A).
5.40—"The News Behind the News" (A).
5.50—News (D1).
6.00—The A.B.C. (Melbourne) Wireless Chorus and Symphony Orchestra (A).
6.45—"For Sailors" Programme for the Mercantile Marine (D2).
7.05—"Rivers of Europe" with Walford Hyden and his Orchestra (D2).
7.30—Piano Recital by Vera Bradford (A).
7.50—Harry Bloom's Dance Band (A).
8.00—"Morte d'Arthur" by Alfred Lord Tennyson (D2).
8.20—"Rhythm Classics" (D2).
8.40—"The Mill on the Floss" (D2).
9.00—Recorded Feature (A).
9.15—"The use of gloves throughout the times" Talk by Emmy de la Porte (H.I.).
9.20—Summary of the day's news (A).
9.30—News (D2); Report on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange (H.I.).
10.00—"This Racing Business—Ten Years of the 'Tot'" Talk

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1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Raie da Costa (Piano). Everyone Says "I Love You" (film "Horse Feathers"); Butterflies in the Rain (Reaves and Myers).—Solo "Whoopie"—Medley (Kahn and Donaldson); "Monte Carlo"—Medley (Whiting and Harling)—Assisted by the Night Club Kings.

1.15 p.m. Renter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

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by Sir Clement Hindley (D3).

10.15—Grand Hotel Novelty Quintet (D3).

10.30—Sidney Torch at the Organ of Gaumont State Cinema (D3).

11.30—Sonata Recital by Kathleen Moorhouse (violin) and Frank Merrick (piano) (D3).

12.00—News (D3).

12.25—"There's a Song About That" (D3).

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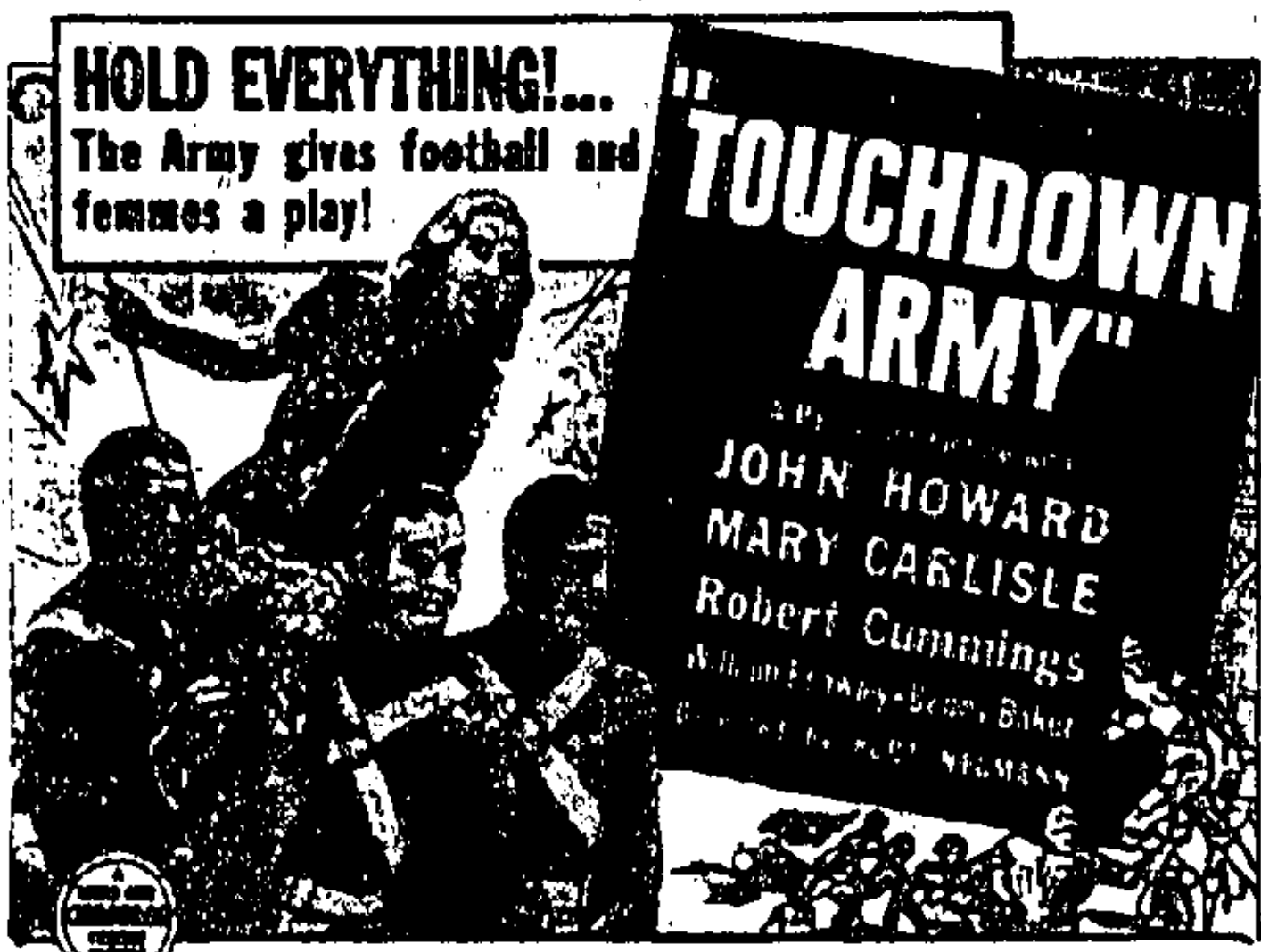
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TO MORROW: **"THINGS TO COME"**
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50 CONSTABLES TO ARREST ONE MAN!

A Chinese gave the Singapore police a spot of bother recently when he roamed several rooftops of South Bridge Road, brandishing an axe.

The C.P.O. two other European police officers and no fewer than 50 constables were at the spot to see that the man came to no harm and did no harm to others.

In addition, a large crowd had gathered to see what was going on. The man eventually came on to the roof of the Chinese temple near Pickering Street and refused to descend. A European officer and some policemen climbed on to the roof and asked the man to go

down, but their entreaties were met with a shower of stones. Coming one storey lower, the man jumped on to the floor below and sustained slight injuries. He was immediately arrested and sent to hospital for treatment.

Today's Screenings

Hongkong

KING'S: "The Baroness And The Butler"

QUEEN'S: "Touchdown Army"

ORIENTAL: "Mad About Music"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA: "White Banners"

STAR: "Divorce Of Lady X"

MAJESTIC: "The Adventures Of Tom Sawyer"

Coming

KING'S: "Beg, Borrow Or Steal"

QUEEN'S: "Artists And Models Abroad"

ORIENTAL: "You're Only Young Once"

ALHAMBRA: "Artists And Models Abroad"

STAR: "Things To Come"

MAJESTIC: "Vogues Of 1938"

MAJESTIC: "The Little Tough Guy"

WEST POINT AND FOOTBALL

West Point military academy forms the background of the new football drama, "Touchdown Army," which is being shown at the Queen's Theatre to-day. Robert Cummings, John Howard and Mary Carlisle head an impressive cast of younger players in this story, which combines a romantic triangle with an action packed football yarn and shows the excitement, loyalties, conflicts and triumphs of West Point life.

The story deals with Cummings, a cocky footballer who gets into the military academy through the political influence of his guardian. His self-confidence has an unexpected effect on the West Pointers and on Miss Carlisle, who turns a deaf ear to his advances.

Special police precautions following the bombing outrages have extended to Sandringham, where the King and Queen, and other members of the royal family are staying.

What The Stars Are Doing

Rouben Mamoulian has been engaged by Columbia Pictures to direct "Golden Boy," the picturization of Clifford Odets' Broadway stage success. Mamoulian is known for his direction of a number of outstanding pictures, among them being "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," "Queen Christina" and "The Gay Desperado."

Eleanor Powell will have a real all-star supporting cast in "Honolulu," which will include Clark Gable, Spencer Tracy, Hedy Lamarr, Mickey Rooney and Frank Morgan. They will be shown attending a preview of a picture within the picture in which Robert Young appears as a film star.

"Broadway Serenade," starring Jeanette MacDonald, has gone into production with a cast that includes Lew Ayres, Frank Morgan, Ian Hunter, Rita Johnson, Virginia Grey, William Gargan and Katherine Alexander.

Rex Ingram, who played De Lawd in the film version of "The Green Pastures," has been signed by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer for an important role in Mark Twain's "Huckleberry Finn." Ingram is one of the leading Negro actors in America, and his stage roles include "Haiti," "Stevadore" and "Marching Song."

Joe E. Brown, in his new starring film, incites controversy in scientific and medical circles, but it's all in fun. "The Gladiator," sensational novel by Philip Wylie, in which a Superman, is created through scientific formula, makes a hilarious vehicle for the wide-mouthed comedian.

UNIQUE CAT IN SHOW

Male Tortoiseshell Kitten

The surprise of the day at the National Cat Club's 46th annual show at Paddington recently was a male tortoiseshell eight-months-old kitten, Harlequin of Coryton, owned by Mrs. Shafman, of Hampton-on-Thames.

In the history of cats, only about 16 male tortoiseshells have been bred, and they have been freaks from which it has never been possible to breed, whereas Harlequin of Coryton is a perfect specimen.

The show comprised 358 cats of 25 breeds, including Persians, Chinchillas, Abyssinians, Siamese and Manx.

Capt. W. H. Powell's "Ch. Biscuit of Hanley" won the championship for the best cat in the show for the fifth time.

IF BRITAIN BROKE OFF WITH JAPAN

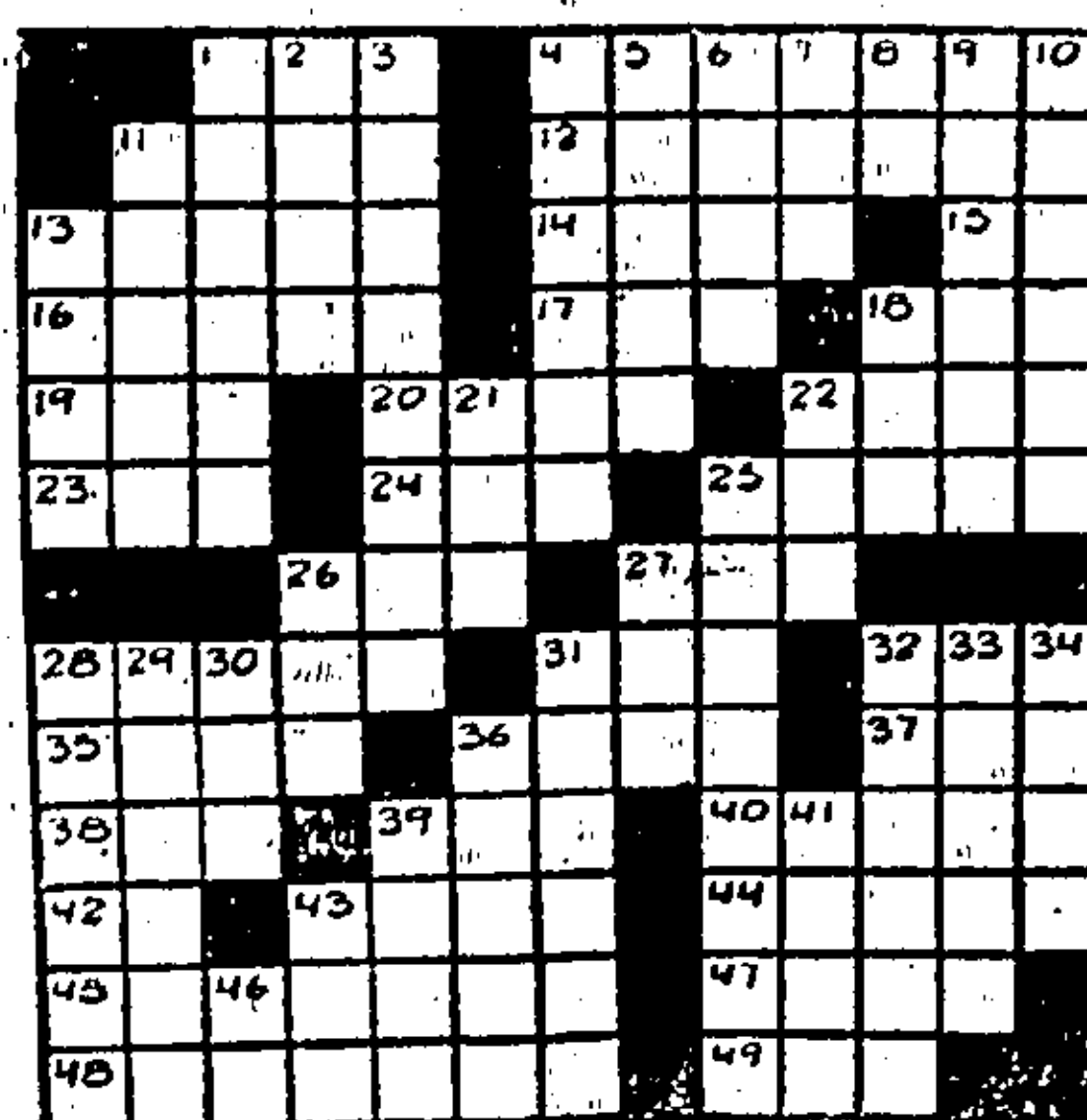
If Britain and the United States were to break off trade relations, Japan could not carry on, declared Miss Freda Utley, the well-known writer, in London recently.

Japan, which set out to crush China, is beginning to realise that she is up against it.

"I was impressed in China," she added, "by the stoicism and uncompromising heroism of the Chinese soldiers and the mass of the people."

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- ACROSS
1. Territorial division in Denmark
 4. Gymnastic apparatus
 11. Always
 12. Merry-maker
 13. Cubic metre
 14. Free to be entered
 15. Negative
 16. Seraglio
 17. Through
 18. Make lace
 19. Italian goddess of harvests
 20. Seethe
 22. Hindu queen
 23. Golf mound
 24. 100,000 rupees
 25. Garden shrub
 26. Fondle
 27. Edge of a wound
 28. Rush basket
 31. Chatter
 32. Hindu prince
 35. Land held in absolute independence
 36. Wind instrument
 37. Canoeist
 38. Irritate
 39. Sphere
 40. Swift
 42. King of Bashan
 43. Street urchin
 44. Range in a row



45. Shine
47. Sound quality
48. Singer
49. Female sheep
- DOWN
1. Oppose
2. Only this and nothing more
3. Quivers
4. Circle of the celestial sphere
5. Drive back
6. Declare
7. Writing implement
8. Hebrew name for God
9. Part of a dwelling in India
10. Amatory
11. Public storehouse
13. Miskito for
18. Firearms
19. Fibre of the palm
21. Seed of a cereal grass
22. Tear
25. Free
26. Cushion
27. Lick up
28. France
29. Sour ale
30. Receptacle
31. Speak articulately
32. Flounder
33. In chemistry a series of salts
34. Green stone
36. Utter foolishly
36. Verbal
41. In a lower position
43. Be affected with pain
46. Make

SOLUTION TO-MORROW

STATUE OF LATE KING APPROVED

The King and Queen and Queen Mary have approved the design for a memorial statue to King George V, to be set up on a site between the Chapter House of Westminster Abbey and the Houses of Parliament.

A 10ft. high figure in cream-coloured marble, by Sir William Reid Dick, will portray King George V. in naval uniform and Garter robes. The statue will be sheltered by a stone canopy.

Lord Macmillan, chairman of the King George V. National Memorial Fund, said: "Work on clearing the site will begin immediately, but it will be more than a year before the memorial is ready."

AIRPORT MOVEMENTS

The Denebola and Delphinus, of the Imperial Airways service, will take off from Kai Tak to-day at 7 and 7.30 a.m. respectively for Bangkok. One plane will return here to-morrow with mail from all ports, arriving approximately at 5 p.m.

The China Clipper is due at noon to-day from Manila, and will leave to-morrow morning about 8.30 a.m.

The Air France plane from Hanoi is due on Thursday at noon.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

ANNIVERSARIES AND HOLIDAYS

—St. Timothy, Bishop and Martyr.

AUCTIONS. — Crown Lands, at District Office, Tai Po, 11.30 a.m.; Postage Stamps, at 2 Connaught Road Central, Room 205, at 5.15 p.m.

CINEMAS. — (See Column 3 of this Page).

LECTURES. — Dr. French Oliver on "War in Heaven" at Kowloon Union Church, 7.45 p.m.; Anti-Gas, at Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, 8 p.m.; A.R.P. at Volunteer Hqs., 10.30 a.m.; at Maryknoll Convent, Kowloon, 4 p.m.; at Lusitano Club, 18. Ice House Street, 5.30 p.m.; at Ambulance Hqs., for the General Public, 7.30 p.m.; First Aid at Queen's College, 7.30 p.m.; at King's College, 8 p.m.; at Ambulance Hqs., (Dr. Arculli), 8 p.m.

MAILS. — (See Page 16).

MEETINGS. — Rotary Meeting, Hongkong Hotel, 1 p.m.; Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS. — Y.M.C.A. Women's Section Sewing Bee, 10 a.m.; Yau Ma Tei Government School Prize-Giving, 11 a.m.; Distribution of Prizes at St. Joseph College, 5.30 p.m.

MOON. — Chinese XII Moon, 5th Day.

RELIGIOUS. — Prayer and Fellowship Meeting at the S. & S. Home, 8.30 p.m.

SOCIAL. — Old Tombriggan Dinner, in Jacobson Room, Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m. for 8.30 p.m.; Craigieflower Cricket Club

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SPORTS. — (See Page 2).
SUNRISE. — 7.05 a.m. SUNSET. — 6.05 p.m.
TIDES. — High at 12.17 and 22.10. Low at 05.50 and 17.00.

TO-MORROW
MOON. — Chinese XII Moon, 6th Day.
SUNRISE. — 7.05 a.m. SUNSET. — 6.05 p.m.
TIDES. — High at 11.57 and 22.10. Low at 05.20 and 12.32.

WOMEN'S PAGE

TEN "BEST DRESSED WOMEN" CHOSEN

Duchess Of Windsor Now Second In Paris List

There was virtually a revolution in the world of high dress-making and smart society when the annual poll of prominent French dressmakers showed that the Duchess of Windsor, has been dethroned as the World's Best Dressed Woman and succeeded by the Spanish "Tin Princess" Madame Antenor Patino, daughter-in-law of one of the ten richest men in the world.

The Duchess of Windsor was ranked second far ahead of the rest of the field led by her Royal sister-in-law, the Duchess of Kent. The ten "best dressed" women who have the time and money to make an art of dressing themselves and really set the style pace of two continents, as picked by the poll of the dressmaking trade were:

1. Mme. Antenor Patino,
2. Duchess of Windsor,
3. Duchess of Kent,
4. Baroness Eugene de Rothschild,
5. Begum Aga Khan,
6. Mrs. Harrison Williams,
7. Marquise de Paris,
8. Mrs. Gilbert Miller,
9. Senora Martinez de Hoz,
10. Mme. Jean Dupuy.

For the first year, the poll disclosed also a field of five runners-

up, all famous for their taste in gowns:

1. Countess Barbara Haugwitz-Reventlow,
2. Mme. Jean Nash Dubonnet,
3. Mrs. Doris Duke Cromwell,
4. Lady Elsie de Wolfe Mende,
5. Mme. George Bonnet.

Countess Barbara slipped from the list of the ten "best dressed" and her place was taken by the former Dorothy Spreckles of San Francisco who is considered one of the Paris season's beauties, the European equivalent of a "Glamour Girl."

Another nearing the feminine hall of fame for the first time was Mme. George Bonnet, wife of the French Foreign Minister, former Ambassador to Washington.

During the year she was official hostess at the Quai d'Orsay to the King and Queen and later to Mrs. Neville Chamberlain Frau von Ribbentrop, and for these occasions assembled a compact but costly wardrobe which readily stamped her as one of the ultra-smart dressers of the capital.

NEW FASHION LEADER

Madame Patino, new leader of the best dressed women, is a Bourbon princess, Christine de Bourbon, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Dural, whose marriage in Madrid, with the King and Queen of Spain as godfather and godmother, was one of the last great marriages before the flight of the royal family.

Her husband is heir-apparent to one of the five largest fortunes in the world, based on mountains of tin in Bolivia.

Her father-in-law, Don Simon Patino, Bolivian Minister to France, was a clerk and book-keeper at La Paz scarcely 30 years ago who took a mountain in payment of a bad debt and found the mountain full of tin.

DRESS DUEL

Madame Patino and the Duchess of Windsor staged a sensational dress duel this season, easily outstripping the rest of the field in the size and cost of their wardrobes.

About the same size, they have exactly the same taste showing a preference for well chosen eccentricity although following classical lines in the ensemble.

MR. H. S. RUSSELL ENTERTAINED

About 80 guests were present at the dinner given at Mandala Villa, Singapore, recently by Mrs. Lee Choon-guan, M.B.E., in honour of Mr. H. S. Russell, head of Messrs. Sims Darby and Co., Ltd., who is shortly leaving Malaya to join the London office of the firm.

Mr. Lee Choon-guan proposed the health of Mr. Russell, and in the course of doing so, he mentioned how popular Mr. Russell had been during the 28 years he had spent in Malaya.

Replying Mr. Russell expressed his regrets for having to leave Malaya, and said he would miss the

RECENT FANLING HUNT MEET



PICTURE TAKEN at the Fanling Hunt Meet held recently. From left to right:—Mr. A. H. R. Butcher, Mr. J. P. Murphy (Deputy Registrar) and Mr. F. G. Nigel. (Photo by Leica).

NEWSETTES

Mr. T. Knutson has assumed duties as Consul-General for Norway in Shanghai.

Mr. W. Hunt, of Messrs. Hunt and Co. will leave tomorrow for San Francisco by the China Clipper.

The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club will hold a Cabaret Supper Dance at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, February 3.

"Across America" is the title of a talk to be given by Major D. R. Walker at the Rotary Club tiffin at the Hongkong Hotel to-day.

Malaria is rampant in south-eastern Fukien, says Central News. There are 16,000 sufferers at Anki 12,000 at Tehwa, 66,000 at Tsin-kiang and 58,000 at Putien.

Mr. O. L. Stephens, who is connected with the Government of Malacca, is due to arrive in the s.s. Conte Verde this week for a short visit. He will take residence in the Hongkong Hotel.

The fifth annual meeting of the Chinese Geological Society will be held in Chungking some time in April. The society is offering three prizes of \$300, \$200 and \$100 each for the best essays on "Agrarian Policy After the War," and "Land Problems and Economic Reconstruction in the Southwest."

hospitality which he had enjoyed on so many occasions at Mandala Villa. He hoped to meet his friends in London.

A School Of Three Pupils

WICK, SCOTLAND—Scotland's youngest teacher has recently taken up duty at one of the most isolated schools in Britain. He is 17-year-old Peter McLean, who is now teacher at Keildale School, in the extreme northwest of Scotland, only a few miles from bleak Cape Wrath.

The population of this mountainous district, which is cut off from the outer world by the Kyle of Durness, numbers less than 20, inclusive of the lightkeepers and their families at Cape Wrath lighthouse.

Peter McLean has three pupils in his small school, which, with its corrugated iron roof, stands on the narrow, rough road which winds along the 12 miles from Keildale ferry to Cape Wrath lighthouse. One of the pupils is a son of Donald Morrison, the ferryman, and the other two pupils are the son and daughter of Robert Lowe shepherd at Achle.

Behind Peter's debut as a teacher lies the story of a courageous struggle against misfortune. Two years ago, Peter, whose home is at

Kinlochbervie on the west coast of Sutherland, was a high-standing pupil at Gaisle Technical School. He was knocked down in a road accident and seriously injured. Although he recovered and was able to walk and cycle, his health was affected.

But owing to his record as a pupil, it was found possible to appoint him as an uncertificated teacher at Keildale school. This meant that the lad did not have to attend a Training College course in the city.

Peter is a Gaelic singer, and was a prizewinner at the last Sutherland Gaelic Mod. As there is no schoolhouse attached to his little school, Peter stays with Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, parents of two of his pupils. So teacher and pupils go to and from school together.

The school is liable to change its situation from time to time. It is a portable erection, and can be quickly moved to the point most convenient for the pupils, who live at considerable distances from each other in this wide, sparsely-populated district.

Mr. Victor Lowinger relinquished his post as Malayan Agent in London last month. A tribute to Mr. Lowinger was paid in a recent number of the "Financial Times."

Another missionary worker who was a passenger in the s.s. President Pierce, arriving on Sunday, was the Rev. John Willinger, who is on his way to Makassar, Celebes, where he will be stationed.

Mr. Bernard Johnson, operating superintendent of the Texas Company, arrived in the Colony on Sunday in the s.s. President Pierce en route to Saigon. He was accompanied by Mrs. Johnson and their son, Herbert.

The Rev. and Mrs. William Ruhl, of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, with their daughter, Ruth, arrived in Hongkong on Sunday in the s.s. President Pierce. They are going to Minhsin, Kansu Province.

The Royal Army Medical Corps Association will hold a dance at the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday, February 4. The Band of the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots, will play, by kind permission of Lt.-Col. D. T. McDougall and officers.

General Chiang Ting-wen, Secretary-General of the Generalissimo's Headquarters in Sian, in Shensi province, was relieved of his post by the Executive Yuan on January 17, says the "Hwa Mei Chen Pao."

At the General Committee meeting of the British Residents' Association of China held in Shanghai on January 17, Mr. H. E. Arnold was elected Chairman for the year and Mr. W. J. Hawkins Vice-Chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Flory, accompanied by their son, David, passed through Hongkong on Sunday in the s.s. President Pierce en route to Singapore, where Mr. Flory will take over duties as assistant manager of Getz Bros.

Mr. Itsuo Goto, senior Consul in the Shanghai Japanese Consulate-General, was recalled to Tokyo last week. Mr. Goto had been temporarily in charge of the Consulate-General during December following the return of Mr. Shimokuro/Hidaka, former Consul General, to Japan.

A magazine in English called the "China Fortnightly," is being issued by the Central News Agency in Chungking, on the 1st and 15th of each month. Mr. Richard L. Jen, formerly manager of the Central News Agency in Shanghai, is editing the magazine, which is published under the auspices of the Central Kuomintang.

TUESDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Chilled Tomato Juice
Cereal
Pork Sausages and Pancakes
Syrup
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Navy Bean Soup
Devilled Egg Salad
Sauerkraut and Frankfurters
Buttered Turnips
Carrots
Corn Bread
Prune Float and Cookies
Tea

DINNER

Oyster Cocktail
Beef Tea
Artichoke Salad
Fillet Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Little Peas
Baked Tomatoes
Mushrooms
Ice Cream and Chocolate Cake
Coffee

Round About

A young Chinese girl was hurrying down the street from a large market. Her provisions hung from one hand; the other clutched a long, fat fish by the tail.

Weaving through the crowds on the sidewalk, she was roughly bumped in the back by a young man who appeared to be an acquaintance. The girl hesitated but for a moment, glared and commenced pushing and dodging her way through the crowd. The man turned and followed her, evidently wishing to enter into conversation. He tugged at her long plait of black hair hoping to attract attention again and stop her progress.

Instantly, the girl whirled round, swinging the fish in her hand.

The fish met the boy's face with a wet smack, slipped from the girl's hand and into the arms of the other. A shriek and cry issued from the Chinese girl, as the boy laughingly took to his heels with

Herr S. R. von Winterfeldt, the Commercial Councillor of the German Embassy, has returned to Shanghai from Peking where he has been in temporary charge of the Peking Branch of the German Embassy during the last two months.

A goodwill flight by a Japanese plane from Tokyo to Bangkok, Siam, over a 1,900-kilometres course will be attempted to-morrow by pilots of the Japan Aviation Bureau of the Ministry of Communications.

Brazil's Ambassador to Japan, Senor Pedro Leao Velloso, is to be transferred shortly, having been appointed new envoy to Rome. Senor Frederico de Castello-Branco Clark, Minister to Sweden, will take over Senor Velloso's office in Tokyo.

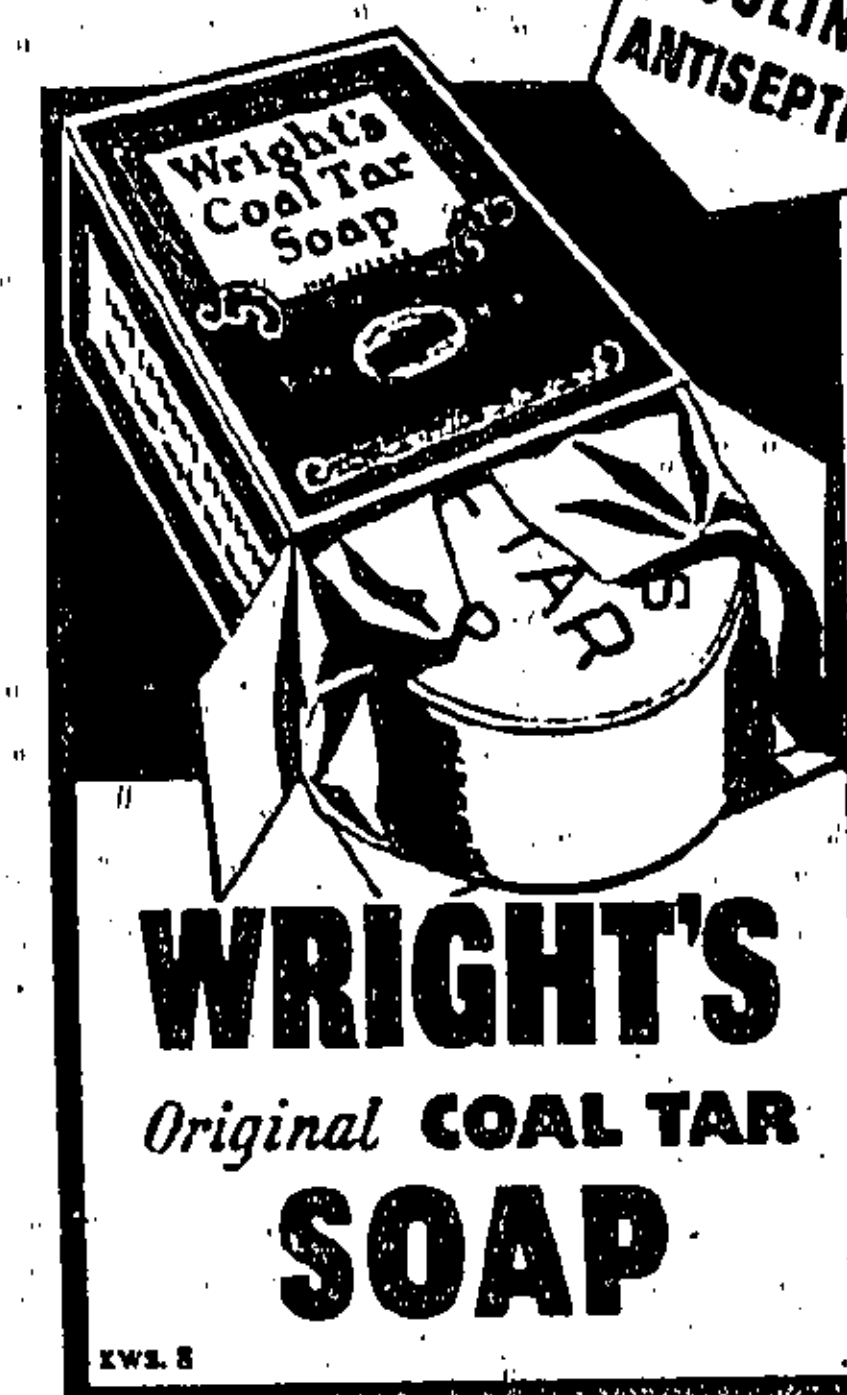
The following passengers will be arriving by the s.s. President Coolidge on February 3:—Mr. George Akers, Mr. I. Assin, Mrs. V. H. Biddle, Mrs. E. C. Birkholm, and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Conger, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Conger, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cooper, Mr. P. Elder, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Harding, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Larsen, Miss F. Loesch and Mr. H. Rowland.

Mr. Arnold Silcock has been awarded the Florence Bursary of the Royal Institute of British Architects. It is one of the principal post-graduate prizes of the R.I.B.A., and includes a grant of £350 for the study of Hellenistic or Byzantine architecture. Mr. Silcock lived for five years in China, created buildings and furniture in the modern Chinese style, and became a notable authority on the more ancient branches of Oriental art.

Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen's appointment to the Angola Embassy means that there are now no unemployed Ambassadors on the Foreign Office list. The other in the same situation was Sir William Seeds, now Ambassador to Russia. Sir Hugh is one of the most brilliant men in the Foreign Office. His popularity is enhanced by a talent for light verse in which he treats of serious diplomatic subjects with Gilbertian facility. In his short period as Ambassador in China he produced one masterpiece of this kind.

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PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING

Lim-Kwik

A WEDDING OF PARTICULAR interest to the Hongkong film industry took place at the Registry yesterday when Miss Kwik Tuck Hong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kwik Pok-hing became the bride of Mr. Lim Kim Chong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lim Peng-man.

The bridegroom is connected with the General Amusements Ltd.

Mr. T. J. Gould officiated at the ceremony which was witnessed by the parents of the bride and bridegroom.

The bride was dressed in a gown of white satin with tight fitting sleeves and a shirred bodice. She wore a plain veil held in place with orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of candy tuft and sweetpeas.

The bridesmaids, the Misses Katherine Marr and Lily Lim, wore dresses of pink French lace over a pink satin slip, with puffed sleeves and full skirts. They carried bouquets of pastel shade sweetpeas.

Mr. R. Johnston Wong was best man and J. W. Yu, groomsmen. In the evening a dinner party was held at the Kam-Ling Restaurant when a large number of friends, both foreign and Chinese, attended.

COAL MERCHANT WEDS

Another marriage took place at the Registry yesterday when Mr. Lau Tak-ki, coal merchant, and Miss Ho Pui-king were united. Mr. T. J. Gould officiated, and the witnesses were Messrs. Lee Wio and Lau Wing-kwong.

Soon To Wed

Forthcoming marriages announced include—

Mr. Cheong Ka-Khey, medical practitioner, St. John's Hall, Hongkong University, and Miss Sui Yin-ling, of No. 23 Bonham Road, ground floor; Mr. Chan Lai-ka, teacher, Lingnan University, of No. 552 Nathan Road, second floor, and Miss Hui Yee-fa, teacher, of No. 494 Nathan Road, second floor; Mr. Lionel Adolphus Chung, store-keeper, of No. 88 Lai-chikok Road, second floor, Shamshulpo, and Miss Maisie Chan, midwife, of No. 23 Tai Nam Street, second floor, Shamshulpo.

Funeral Of Mr. Harold Seth: Dean Officiates: Large Attendance

THE FUNERAL of Mr. Harold Seth who died at the War Memorial Hospital on Saturday after a brief illness, took place at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday. The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of the Cathedral, officiated at the graveside.

A large number of friends and business colleagues attended, those present including the Hon. Mr. J. Paterson, Mr. Leo D'Almada, Mr. Messrs. T. E. Pearce, A. W. Hughes, F. C. Hall, A. Ritchie, J. Fleming, A. C. Ellis, G. C. Burnett, W. Stoker, W. E. Mansfield, E. R. Childs, C. Blaker, W. E. Grive, A. H. Penn, E. A. Proulx, E. Cock, F. J. Grose, L. Lammett, E. Wyllie, E. L. Hosie, F. W. White, H. Hong Sing, L. A. Tobias, G. W. May, J. A. Tarrant, T. M. Gregory, L. R. Gregory, J. Ormiston, J. P. Ulderup, M. J. Lo, Chan Hon, Chan Yin, Ho Wing, Ho Hung-kwan, F. W. Stapleton, Major Mannors, and many others.

THE WREATHS

Wreaths from the deceased's widow and his brother, Mr. J. Hennessy Seth, were interred with the remains.

The following also sent wreaths: Seth and Nello, Aline and Cedric, Katherine and Helen, Toxey and Kathleen, Ronald and Mona, Mac, Phyllis and Cyril, Tinker and Bertie, Michael and Poppy, Mabel and Larry, Dinah and Ernest, Wattle and Pat.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Stopani-Thomson, Mr. G. Lammett, Dr. Chan Ping-in, Mr. Glendinning family, Messrs. Himley, Ltd. and staff, Dr. and Mrs. F. Bunje, Mr. and Mrs. L. Koon-chee, Mr. S. Hampden Ross, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Alexander, Mr. Wei Wah-cheung, Mr. and Mrs. I. Scott-Harston, Java-China-Japan Line, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lammett and family, Mr. Lun Yue-lam, Mr. J. C. Pool, Mr. D. L. Strellett, Mr. G. K. H. Brutton, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Hill, Mrs. W. J. Kerr and Miss Patsy L. Kerr, Mr. Wei Wing-ping, Mr. R. L. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Odell, Mr. Ho Hung-kwan, Daisy O'Keefe, Mr. Ho Wing, Mr. H. P. Chanson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wei, Mr. Kan Tong-po, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Edward, "Gymp and Theo," "Janet and Alan."

Dr. and Mrs. M. Nicolson, Lucy and Addison Southard, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kum-tong, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Ralph, Miss Gubbays and Mrs. H. Nassim, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stanton, Mr. C. C. Black, Mr. and Mrs. S. Berg, Mr. P. Loureiro, Mr. J. E. Joseph, Mr. R. Macgregor, "Dot and Jack," Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Tseyan, Captain and Mrs. E. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. F. X. D'Almada e Castro, Mr. and Mrs. L. Kadoorie, Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Sumners, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Israel, "Eva and Tam," Mrs. Capell and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ring, the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Mr. N. L. H. Ralston, "Bert and Florence," "Alfred and Eileen," Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kew, "Rose and Kit," Hongkong Football Club, Mr. H. C. Lee, "Aveoone and Mary," Mr. and Mrs. John Hargreaves, "Pillar," "Martia and Helen," J. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. A. Stephen Mitchell, Mrs. M. S. Mitchell, "Charlie and Gladys," Mr. Li Fun-kee, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Tobias.

Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Potts, Mr. and Mrs. F. Black, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. H. Overy, Mr. and Mrs. R. Pestonji, Mr. Chan Yin, Mr. and Mrs. Li Tse-fong, Mr. Yung Hin-chiu, The Grand Dispensary, Ltd. and staff, Mr. E. H. Ray, Mr. H. Gregory, Mr. T. M. Tsol, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Cable, Joy and Geoffrey Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Robb, Mr. P. D. Wilson, Hon. Mr. R. M. and Mrs. Henderson, Mr. M. Nemaze, Mrs. Ho Leung, Mrs. Ho Ki, Mr. S. Gregory, Mr. Ho Hung-pong, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Gregory and family, Professor and Mrs. Gerrard, "Lambert and Elsie," Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, Mr. P. C. Jackson, Ma Shan (riding boy), Lot Fook (trainer).

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Landau, Mr. S. W. Cheng, Mr. Ng Hon-ting,

POWER FOR GOOD OR EVIL

Dr. Oliver Speaks At Union Church

Taking Acts 5, Verse 15, as his text at the Kowloon Union Church on Sunday, Dr. French Oliver gave a unique message concerning the power either for good or evil which every life is bound to have in the shadow it casts open others.

A shadow is always reasonably like its original, said Dr. Oliver. The judgment of God centres, not in overt acts, but in what a man is in his heart; "as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." The growth of Grace in the heart reaches out beyond the bounds of the family and the city to the world.

The five senses are all psychic in origin. Once the nerves connecting an eye with its corresponding brain cells are severed, the sight of the eye is gone forever. Habits, similarly, are psychic in origin. The sensitive ether vibrates to the stimulus not only of sounds, but also to the stimulus of thoughts.

Dr. De Mott, who, in his generation was probably the world's greatest scientific lecturer, gave a lecture, entitled "The Heart of the Senses." In the demonstration connected with this lecture, Dr. De Mott sang a solo into a sensitive instrument, whilst the audience faced a screen upon which light was being thrown from a special lantern connected with the instrument into which the soloist was singing. Each tone of the soloist's voice resulted in a different colour of light being thrown upon the screen. A Vienna scientist, who later perished in the Great War, actually perfected an instrument by which he could read thoughts by the colours produced on a screen.

There is not a science which has not its tap-roots in the Bible. Such texts as "Thou, God, seest me" and "God looketh upon the heart" ante-date the discovery of X-rays by 1,900 years, said Dr. Oliver.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. S. Webb, H. West, M. M. Watson, Dr. S. To Wong, Mr. and Mrs. K. T. Wong, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Wong, Wong Hung-kwan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. W. Voxall, Yau Tak-wing, Mr. and Mrs. P. Tod, Mr. and Mrs. P. Tod, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hyde-Lay, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bewbigg, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gillard, C. L. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hance, Hon. Kam-shing, Hon. Yum-lam, Hon. Yum-sang, Hung Kok-yau, Hung Cheung-king, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Hale and Jean, E. Hausmann, E. L. Hosie, F. W. Jones, L. D. Kilbee, H. A. Keller, E. Kern, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Kirk, Marjorie and Leo Frost, Fok Cho-min, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Edmondston, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Danby, H. Dreyer, Mrs. G. M. Drolleth, Mr. E. Ezra and the Misses Ezra, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Finnigan, R. A. Dastur, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Chubb, Mrs. E. Cooper, E. S. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Cairns, Chan Fong, Chan Hon, T. H. G. Brayfield, A. W. Black, Vivian Benjamin, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bradbury, Ho Hong-ping, Fung Kwok-wah, Anderson and Ashe.

The Management of the Repulse Bay Hotel, Staff of Torcy Smith, Seth and Fleming, Sincere Co., Ltd., the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Committee and Members of the Sports Club, Staff of T. M. Gregory & Co., the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., the Staff of the Bank Line (China), Ltd., Messrs. Deacons, Brewers Bookshop, Lammett Bros., the Boarding Officers of the Harbour Office, Comrades of the Apcar Steamers, Lane, Crawford, Ltd., (Cafe Wiseman), Kin Yuen & Co., and many others.

and Mrs. C. C. W. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Womack.

Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, acting chairman of the National Relief Commission, who went to Chungking recently, has returned to Hongkong.

In an interview, Mr. Hsu revealed that while in Chungking he called a meeting of the National Relief Commission, during which measures for the relief of refugees in south China were decided upon. These measures, he said, include the establishment of a number of labour relief districts in Kwangtung.

Mr. Hsu also revealed that relief has been provided for more than 200,000 refugees of the Yellow River flood. They are now all settling in areas along the upper reaches of the Yellow River, doing reclamation work.

CHINESE CAPTURE JAPANESE LAUNCH

CHANGTSE, HUNAN, Jan. 23 (Central).—A Japanese steam launch, together with two Japanese soldiers, was captured by the Chinese on Friday night when it attempted to cross the Tungting Lake in the vicinity of Hwayung on the north western bank of the lake, in northern Hunan.

CHINESE RECAPTURE FUYANG AND YUANG

KINHWA, Jan. 23 (Central).—Chinese forces on the north Chien-ling front, crossing the Chien-ling River, recently recaptured Fuyang and Yuang, and are pressing steadily eastward on Hangchow, according to military dispatches.

Vanguard from Yuhang actually penetrated into Kungchengkiao, three miles north of Hangchow, and issued notices that they would re-enter Hangchow before the end of the Lunar Year.

EXPULSION CERTIFICATES FALSELY USED

Deportees From Indo-China

That expulsion certificates issued by the French authorities in Indo-China to Chinese deportees were falsely used as a means to obtain money from the committee of the Kwong Wah Hospital was disclosed at the Central Court yesterday when two unemployed men appeared before Mr. R. Edwards.

The defendants were Mak Sang, who was charged with three counts of obtaining money by false pretences and Ip Pat, who was charged with a similar offence. Both pleaded guilty.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted and said that periodically Chinese in Hongkong and were each given an expulsion certificate.

On arrival at Hongkong the deportees would approach the S. C. A. and hand in their certificates after which they would be taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital where they would be given a sufficient sum to take them home.

The defendants were said to have obtained the certificates from others and handed them to street coolies to approach the hospital committee to draw passages, pretending they were owners of the certificates. When the coolies succeeded they would be given \$1 each.

On January 14, acting on information received, the authorities detained four coolies who went to draw money and through investigations the two defendants were detained.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed on each of the defendants.

POSSESSION OF FORGED NOTES

Appearing before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday charged with the possession of three forged \$100 bank notes of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Chung Sheung, 37, unemployed shopkeeper, was committed to stand trial at the Criminal Sessions.

Detective-Inspector Darkin prosecuted.

Tan So, mess boy employed at the "detectives" mess, said that about 4.30 p.m. on January 9 while he was walking along Queen's Road East, he received information and approached the defendant in the street. On being questioned, defendant replied that the packet which he dropped contained forged notes. Witness then handed defendant over to a Chinese detective at the police station.

ALIENS' PASSPORTS NOT VALID

Siegfried Lahmann, a German subject, residing at the St. Francis Hotel, and Dionysios P. Komninos, a Greek citizen, residing at the Metropole Hotel, both described as merchants, were yesterday charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court with entering the Colony without valid passports.

Lahmann, who pleaded guilty, said that when he was in the Colony last year he had not required a visa, was cautioned, while Komninos, who said that he was in a hurry to catch a boat, was fined \$15.

INDIAN CHARGED

Banta Singh, 22, constable B97, was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday with malicious wounding of Tang Yung, another constable, outside 360, Hennessy Road, at 12.10 a.m. on January 21.

A remand of seven days was granted on the application of the prosecuting officer. Bail was fixed at \$100.

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3½ oz. Bots. Dried Herbs.....	35c.	1 oz. Bots. Mixed Sweet Spices ..	31c.
4 oz. Bots. Black Pepper	48c.	2 oz. Bots. Mixed Sweet Spices ..	58c.
8 oz. Bots. Black Pepper	82c.	11½ oz. Jars Branston Sweet Pickles	60c.
½ pt. Bots. Mushroom Catsup.....	68c.	20 oz. Jars Chow-Chow Pickles...	51.28
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PROF. HALDANE STANDS BAIL FOR GERMANS

Prof. J. B. S. Haldane, Professor of Biometry, University College, London, offered himself as surety for a German refugee and his wife, who were remanded on bail at Old Street police court recently.

The man, a 27-year-old stone-mason, and his wife, aged 23, appeared on remand accused as aliens of landing without leave.

At a previous hearing Mr. W. A. L. Raeburn, defending, asked that their names should not be published, to avoid endangering relatives in Germany.

Prof. Haldane, called for the defence, said he understood that the couple were unable to return to Germany on account of their political views. He thought they would be available when required if granted bail.

The husband, in a statement said he was arrested because prior to the advent of Hitler he was a trade union leader and a Social Democrat. In October 1936, he escaped with his wife into France, and last December they boarded a ship at Boulogne and hid in a lifeboat for 32 hours until the vessel put to sea. They landed at North Shields and went to London by train.

Thirteen cases of measles, four cases of dysentery, three cases of diphtheria, two cases each of enteric fever and cerebro-spinal meningitis and one case of chicken-pox were reported in the Colony during the 48 hours ended midnight Sunday.

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By Order of the Board
of Directors,
R. A. WICKERSON,
Secretary and Manager

BIRTH

SPIKENS.—On January 19, 1939, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. T. Spikens, a daughter.

DEATHS

DAWSON.—On January 19, 1939, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, Percy Edward Dawson, aged 34 years, husband of Isobel and father of Percy Michael.

KLEFFEL.—On January 19, 1939, at Shanghai, Gertrude Adele Kleffel, aged 86 years, mother of Julius and John Kleffel.

YUAN.—On January 19, 1939, at Shanghai John Jentsu Yuan, dearly beloved husband of Mrs. J. J. Yuan and father of James, Alexander Chunthan, Charles and Sidney.

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THE LATEST AIR
DISASTER

GENERAL SYMPATHY will be extended to the Imperial Airways on account of their latest disaster and condolences will go to the families of the three men who unfortunately lost their lives following the sinking of the flying-boat Cavalier during the week-end.

THE DISASTER is exceptionally regrettable but "acts of God" are things which cannot be avoided no matter how strict may be the precautions taken by any air-lines. And the Imperial Airways are proud of the fact that the precautions which they always take before allowing their planes to take off on flights are such that they are not equalled by any other commercial air-lines.

IT WAS ONLY six weeks ago that, in the course of editorial comment, the "Hongkong Daily Press" expressed the view that "The time has not yet come—and is unlikely to come—when the chairman of the Imperial Airways can sit back complacently with the thought that no fault can be found, but some of the more obvious faults, at least, are disappearing." This statement still applies. There are still numerous difficulties and handicaps—obsolete machines, lack of capital, staff difficulties, and indecision—to be overcome before a huge organization such as the Imperial Airways can be brought anywhere near the goal of high efficiency it has set for itself. And in spite of the remarkable strides towards progress which it has made in the past, and continues to make, it is hard to visualize any air-line reaching a state of perfection, what with the constant introduction of new devices and never-ending improvements which are being made.

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IN THE CASE of the Cavalier, every precaution was taken to ensure the safety of the passengers and crew but, in the battle against nature, man was defeated for the engines of the flying-boat, according to telegrams which have come

CORRESPONDENCE

CHARGES AGAINST
DOCTORS

[The Editor, "Hongkong Daily Press"]

Sir.—Your editorial of the 17th inst. on the above subject is most interesting. You mentioned "certain practitioners not belonging to Hongkong, were known to be resorting to unethical practices, etc." Were they qualified and registered practitioners? If so, why is that we never heard of the Medical Board or the British Medical Association taking action to protect the good name of the profession? If not, why is that we never heard of the local police authorities taking action against them in the interest of the public and to protect the good name of the Colony?

Then I understand that certain shipping companies only recognize medical certificates issued by certain local medical practitioners; prospective passengers, during the rush, were refused tickets unless they possessed medical certificates issued by those "recognized doctors." Is this or is that not a fact? I shall be grateful for information.

While on the subject of good Hongkong doctors, I have heard a few qualified chemists and dispensers complaining of unfair competition by "unqualified dispensers in the doctors' offices." I wonder if you think this complaint is justified, especially after the recent accident in the Queen Mary Hospital resulting in the loss of a human life due to an overdose of atropin? Again I shall be grateful for information.

FOR FAIRPLAY

[We are informed, with reference to "For Fairplay's" first paragraph, that every effort is made by the authorities to protect the good name of the medical profession in the Colony but this is no easy matter and prosecutions are difficult in view of the fact that those who complain to their friends are the last to complain to the police or to the Medical Board; they absolutely refuse to attend Court as complaining witnesses, hence it is impossible to proceed with prosecutions in the absence of complainants.]

So far as we have been able to ascertain, certificates issued by doctors on the Medical Register are accepted by the majority of shipping companies though there may be exceptions to the rule. But so far as Manila is concerned the authorities there, as pointed out in our leading article of January 17, insist that the certificates should be issued by the Port Health Officer or Government Medical Officer. It is, however, not unlikely that certain shipping companies refuse to issue tickets to persons who possess medical certificates issued by certain practitioners. Why this should be, is a matter best known to the shipping companies themselves.

As to "For Fairplay's" last paragraph, we agree that there is ground for complaint of unfair competition on the part of dispensers in doctors' offices and it is to be hoped that Government will take steps to stop the practice of private doctors using unqualified dispensers.—Editor]

to hand, failed through ice at an altitude of only 1,500 feet and the Cavalier was forced to land on the open sea, sinking a minute later. Everybody apparently had been supplied with rubber life-belts but tragedy occurred when two passengers and a steward weakened and were compelled to let go before help arrived.

ASSISTANCE was quickly rushed to the scene of the disaster but, as the nearest ship was some considerable distance away, it was not before 11 p.m. (the tragedy occurred at 1.12 p.m. on Sunday Eastern standard time) that the first vessel reached the scene. By that time, the survivors were badly exhausted as a result of their ten-hour battle against the elements.

IN SPITE OF THIS terrible catastrophe, there is no need for the public to be disconcerted or to lose confidence in flying as a means of travel, for, so far as human efforts are concerned, every effort has been taken to safeguard the safety of passengers and such efforts doubtless will continue. It is only when Nature decides to take a hand that disasters of a more serious nature occur: sometimes, it is true, they are due to mechanical defects, but these are few and far between. To combat accidents, all responsible commercial air-lines take preventive measures and do not attempt to allow

PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING



MR. LIM KIM-CHONG photographed with his bride, formerly Miss Kwik Teck-hong, after their marriage at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lim Peng-man and is connected with the General Amusements Limited. (Photo, Z. Z. Chang).

AMERICAN SENT
TO PRISONDefrauded Hotel
In Shanghai

Convicted on charges of fraud and obtaining property under false pretences, Morten Lawrence Baron, 25-year old unrecognized American, was sentenced in Shanghai last week to six months' imprisonment. His request that he be allowed to leave Shanghai by the first steamer was turned down.

The first charge concerns the raiding of the Paramount Hotel of \$142.39 while the latter, the misappropriation of a gramophone and the obtaining by fraudulent means of £1 from a German Jewish refugee woman.

Baron arrived in Shanghai in November, 1937 after leaving a litter of broken hearts in the wake of amorous and fraudulent adventures in Europe and America. He "repeated the offence in Shanghai and, charged with obtaining property under false pretences from a woman, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

LOOKING AFTER LUGGAGE

He was released last December after serving his prison term but before the police could forget him, he offended his hotel management by being unable to pay his rent and board. He only paid \$45 when he should pay \$187.39 and wanted to clear out when he was arrested. During his detention, he was found to have also obtained £1 and a gramophone from Miss Hella Rosenzweig at the Customs Jetty when a German refugee boat arrived. He struck up friendship with her at the wharf and volunteered to look after her luggage.

BIG NARCOTIC
SEIZURES IN
SHANGHAI

A wholesale round-up of narcotic traffickers by Shanghai Municipal Police last week resulted in well over 20 arrests.

One of the most important accomplishments was the seizure of about 120 lb. of raw opium at a house in Lane 49, Yu Ya Ching Road. This haul, valued at approximately \$20,000, was in the form of parcels which apparently were ready for distribution to retailers of the drug. North China ports are believed to have shipped the contraband to Shanghai.

A large quantity of opium worth more than \$20,000, was stolen from a foreign steamer, the Yunnan, which arrived in Shanghai a few days previously from Hongkong.

SERIOUS CHARGE

A remand of three days was granted by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Court yesterday in the case against Chan Sang, 35, a fortune-teller, who is charged with having sold or disposed of Cheng Wun-tai, a female, for the purpose of prostitution within the Colony.

their machines to take off when weather conditions are unfavourable. In certain parts of the world, the organizations for the supply of meteorological information are not yet perfected but improvements are being made which should help to make flying safer.

ESCAPE FROM
INTERMENT
CAMP.Chinese Soldier
Imprisoned

An escapee from Ma Tau Chung Internment Camp on January 9, Lo Ah Wing, former "carrier" in an artillery regiment of the Chinese army, was sentenced by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Court yesterday to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

It was disclosed in Court yesterday that Lo had escaped by crawling over barbed wire and that he had not heeded the shouts of warning of the sentry on duty or the shots fired at him.

Lo was only stopped by the fifth bullet fired at him, which wounded him in the shoulder. He was only discharged from the Kowloon Hospital on Sunday.

Defendant stated in Court that he wished to rejoin the Chinese army as he had heard that "the fighting was very fierce." In passing sentence, Mr. Himsforth told defendant that the motive did not excuse the deed.

ANNUAL DRAMATIC
PERFORMANCESt. Andrew's Club
Entertainment

The annual dramatic performance at the St. Andrew's Church Hall by the members of St. Andrew's Club will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, February 1 and 2, at 9 p.m.

Two one-act plays are being presented and several musical items. The annual performance at St. Andrew's Church Hall has a reputation for being enjoyable and is always looked forward to with anticipation.

In "The Bathroom Door" the players will be Mr. Ralph Durner, Miss Eileen Bliss, Mr. Charlie Tamm, Mrs. M. Biggs, Mr. H. Millington and Miss Pauline Jeffreys.

The other play that will be presented is entitled, "The Osgood's Owing" and the players here will be Miss Rita Cole, Mrs. A. C. Jeffreys, Miss Iris Woolley, Mr. Pellat and Miss Janet Broadbridge.

EMBEZZLEMENT
ALLEGED

A fine of \$50, in default a month's imprisonment with hard labour, was imposed by Mr. Q. A. A. Macraiden at the Kowloon Court yesterday on Tang To, clerk of the Soony Filing Station, in Waterloo Road, who was charged with having embezzled \$315 between July of last year and January of this year. Mr. P. Shorn, manager of the filling station, who was the complainant, asked for leniency for the defendant as he could make good the loss.

STOLE CLOTHING

John Winch, 24 years of age, stated to be unemployed and of no fixed abode, was convicted by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Court yesterday on two charges of larceny of clothing, the property of D. Hutchinson, of the Diocesan Boys' School. The total value of the clothing was given as \$77. Sentence was passed on defendant of six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

DEPARTURES BY
TROOPSHIPDilwara Sails For
Home

The following military and naval personnel left Hongkong yesterday on board H.M. Troopship Dilwara:—

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5th A.A. Regt., R.A.—TSM. Angrove, BSM, Bloomfield, H.K. Regt., H.K.S.R.A.—Serk, and Mrs. Tanner.

Fortress R.E.—Major H.A. Baker, R.S.M. and Mrs. W. Fleming, C.Q.M.S. and Mrs. Coochrane, C.Q.M.S. and Mrs. Eaton, MSM, and Mrs. Cook, S/Sergt. and Mrs. Boot, Mr. D. W. Fleming, one NCO, and 23 details.

R.E. (E. for E.S.)—Lieut. R. A. Barron, QMS and Mrs. Taylor, S/Sergts. Rowlands, Daniels, Shearman, Webb and families.

H.K. Signal Coy.—CSM V. Leath, two NCOs and 20 details.

2nd Bn. Royal Scots—Major H. D. K. Money, WO, III T. Harris, one NCO, and 38 details.

1st Bn. Middlesex Regt.—Wife of Heckwood, W.O. and Mrs. R. Bayles, Miss Buley, one NCO, and 78 details.

1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers.—One NCO, and 30 details.

2nd Bn. South Wales Borderers.—Wife of Pte. Lloyd.

2nd Bn. Royal Welch Fusiliers.—Wife of Fusilier Davies.

1st Bn. Seaforth Highlanders.—Wife of Lieut. (QM) R. Paterson, Capt. E. H. B. Neill, two NCOs, and seven details.

R.A.S.C.—SSM, and Mrs. C. Easton, SSM, and Mrs. Street, five NCOs, and 18 details.

R.A.M.C.—Lieut. Col. C. Crawford-Jones, Major and Mrs. A. McMillan, Capt. T. D. H. Martin, Lieut. (QM) and Mrs. F. T. Catton, QMS, and Mrs. Bridges, QMS, and Mrs. Durnford, S/Sergt. and Mrs. Barr, S/Sergt. and Mrs. Howes, five NCOs, and 20 details.

R.A.O.C.—SQMS, and Mrs. Shuttler, S/Sergt. and Mrs. Finch, S/Sergt. and Mrs. Erlund, two details.

Corps of Military Police.—One NCO, and five details.

Q.A.I.M.S.—Sister Miss E. V. Wallace.

Q.A.S.—Mrs. M. Luke, Miss A. B. Coughlan.

SHANGHAI TO UNITED
KINGDOM

2nd Bn. East Surrey Regt.—R.Q.M.S. Knott.

1st Bn. Seaforth Highlanders.—Capt. G. J. L. Baird, Capt. C. D. A. Ross, 78 details.

R.A.M.C.—SM, and Mrs. W. E. Smith, seven details.

Q.A.I.M.S.—Sister Miss McKeaton.

HONGKONG TO SINGAPORE

Staff.—Rev. M. A. Farren, A.C.G. Far East.

Royal Air Force.—Dr. D. C. Fox.

HONGKONG TO COLOMBO
Royal Artillery.—Capt. P. J. Howarth.

TIENTSIN TO COLOMBO
S.Q.M.S. and Mrs. Sharpe.

HONGKONG TO INDIA
Royal Engineers.—Lieut. Col. T. W. R. Haycraft.

HONGKONG TO EGYPT
Royal Artillery.—Capt. and Mrs. C. D. B. Campbell.

SHANGHAI TO INDIA

2nd Bn. East Surrey Regt.—Lieut. A. R. Clift.

TIENTSIN TO INDIA

1st Lancashire Fusiliers.—Sgt. and Mrs. Murphy.

Naval Personnel
FROM HONGKONG TO
UNITED KINGDOM

Naval personnel from Hongkong is as follows:—

Lt.-Cmdr. J. J. Arkwright (Eagle), Officer commanding naval draft; Lt.-Cmdr. K. St. B. Collins (Herald), Executive Officer of Naval draft; Lt.-Cmdr. R.L.S. Galsford (Medway); Lt. R.L. Matheson (Duchess); Lt. N.B. Tibbitts (Gannet); Lt. F.B. Brayne-Nicholls (Bee); Lt. G.B. Ritchie (Herald), Naval Baggage Officer; Lt. M.R.F. Leamon (Eagle); Lt. (E) G.W. Bird (Dainty); Surg.-Cmdr. T.J. O'Rior-

EXTENSIVE FACILITIES OFFERED
BY NEW TRANSPORT SERVICE

Established last October, and amalgamated with the former Hong Nam Co., the Overseas Service Corporation has, notwithstanding the short history of its existence, already gained considerable public support, and is daily receiving quite a number of orders both in passenger and transportation bookings.

The Corporation was formed with a view to solving the many difficulties experienced by Chinese when travelling on the new routes following the severance of normal traffic communications, and, in addition to the original transportation service, has opened a new department to deal particularly in passenger traffic with branches in Shanghai, Wuchow, Kunming, Kweiyang, Kweilin, Chungking, Hanoi, Haiphong, Kwangchow, Rangoon and other principal cities.

The travel department accepts passenger bookings for all lines of ships, trains, aeroplanes, etc., at the official rates of their respective companies, without any extra charge. In addition to planning trips for sight-seeing parties, organizing world-wide tourist groups, and providing travel guide service

on request, the department also undertakes to arrange bookings for hotel accommodation, as well as to apply for issuance of passports, etc.

EXCLUSIVE CONNECTIONS

The company has formed exclusive connections with local authorities in various places along the many routes of southwestern China, and the transportation department is able to accept orders for transportation to Kunming, Chungking, and other places in the interior, at a very moderate rate. The staff is particularly well versed in customs procedure.

It is anticipated, in view of the great success it has achieved in the past, and the connections it has lately formed, that the corporation will soon take a leading place among the local travel and transportation agencies.

HIGH SOVIET
OFFICIALS
DISMISSED

MOSCOW, Jan. 23 (Reuters).—Over 100 executive officials have been dismissed or reduced in rank during the past week in a campaign to tighten up labour discipline.

The campaign extended to civil aviation with the announcement that ten pilots, engineers, and executive officers had been dismissed for unpunctuality.

The dismissals include M. Molokov, chief of civil aviation in the Far East, who will be prosecuted for absence from his post on January 7 and 8, which is the Russian Orthodox Christmas.

P.P.C. WIRES TO
GEN. CHIANG

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (Central).—The election of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek by the Central Executive Committee's Standing Committee as chairman of the People's Political Council is unanimously approved by members of the Council.

At an informal meeting on Saturday, members expressed satisfaction over the appointment. A wire to the Generalissimo was subsequently dispatched by Dr. Chang Po-lin, vice-chairman of the Council, voicing general sentiment.

STILL CRITICAL

Ma Shu, the detective who was wounded in the New Territories when shot in the face by a gangster who had just robbed a bus, on Monday, was reported last yesterday as being still in a critical condition.

dan (Kent), Medical Officer of Naval Draft; Paymr.-Lt.-Cmdr. R.H. Rump (Herald); Paymr.-Lt. C.H.A. Harper (Tamar), Sqr.-Leader Q.W.A. Robbs (R.A.F.), Mr. G.W. Calloway, Master, R.F.A. (Pearleaf); Comd'r. Gunner (T) J.H. Davies (Eagle); Comd'r. Electrician E.W. Smith (Medway); Warrant Telegraphist E.W. Smece (Tamar); Warrant Telegraphist F.A. Baker (Tamar); Warrant Supply Officer H.G. Stuart (Tamar); Warrant Supply Officer H. Frost (Eagle).

FROM SINGAPORE

Lt. J.A. Tenyson (Decoy); Comd'r. Boatwain M. Conno, y (Terror); Warrant Writer F.F. Murray (Terror); Warrant Writer P.C. Butcher (Terror).

Squadron Leader K.P. Lewis, R.A.F., attached to Eagle, goes from Hongkong to Singapore.

PREPARING FOR
ROYAL TRIPAlterations To
H.M.S. Repulse

In preparation for the voyage of Their Majesties the King and Queen to Canada, alterations on the \$2,000-ton battle-cruiser Repulse are going on apace. Their Majesties will sail in the cruiser from Portsmouth on May 8.

The after-part of what was formerly No. 4 gun deck is being rapidly transformed into a pleasant "Tea Deck" for the Royal party.

An anti-aircraft gun has been removed and the gap covered with planking. A sun verandah is to be made by enclosing part of the deck behind glass screens.

Further forward on the same deck there is a series of cabins for members of the Royal suite.

On the after-part of the upper deck the captain's quarters are being adapted for the Royal travellers. Workmen have installed a new wooden ceiling to cover the steel plates of the captain's day cabin which is to be the King's sitting-room.

Giving off it is the captain's dining-room which will become the King's dining-room; capable of accommodating some 20 guests.

Both will be lined with three-ply wood freshly painted in blue and white. Further forward are the King's sleeping cabin and bathroom and the Queen's sleeping cabin.

EXTRA CABINS

Extra cabins are to be built on either side of the upper deck. On the port side will be the Queen's day cabin and the cabins of the ladies in waiting. On the starboard side will be the day cabins of members of the suite. The roofs of these are to be decked over to form small lounge decks.

To make room for the cabins two other anti-aircraft guns have been removed. These were to have gone, in any case, for as soon as the Repulse returns from Canada new anti-aircraft guns will be installed.

The Royal barge is to be stowed in an aeroplane hangar. It is understood that in attendance on the King will be Adm. Sir Dudley North, Vice-Admiral Commanding H.M. Yachts.

Ratings from the Royal yacht Victoria and Albert will serve in the Repulse. Linen, crockery, and other fittings from the Victoria and Albert will be used on the voyage.

A remand of one week in police custody was granted by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Court yesterday in the case against Wang Chung, 39, who appeared on two charges of possession of counterfeiting moulds and of possession of counterfeit notes.

SOUTH AFRICA SCORE 157 FOR 1 WICKET

Mitchell Undefeated With Century To Credit

DURBAN, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—With their score at 73 for one wicket at the close of play on Saturday, South Africa resumed her second innings in the Third Test match against England today. There was sun after an early morning drizzle but this did not materially affect the wicket and was unlikely to assist the bowlers.

SPANISH WAR

(Continued from Page 1)

PARIS, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean).—All industry and commerce in and around Barcelona is to cease operation to-day according to a message received here. General Llad has issued this decree in order that all men up to 55 years of age, and all women who volunteer, may be placed at the disposal of the military authorities for work on defence lines.

Exempted from this order are chemists, restaurant staffs, newspaper publishing staffs, and persons engaged in public service or in the distribution of foodstuffs.

EIGHT RAIDS

The city was bombed eight times yesterday, casualties being estimated at 50 dead and 100 wounded. The British freighter, African Mariner, was struck by bombs and sunk.

Valencia was also subjected to several air raids, the British steamer, Stanholme, and the French vessel, Charles Nerche being damaged by bombs.

Reports arriving here state that the Insurgents have landed on the Catalan coast near the city of Barcelona, and that several coastal towns have already been evacuated and prepared for defence.

According to messages from Perpignan, the French authorities are strengthening the frontier guards having been rushed to Prades and Ceret. Garrisons are also being prepared on the frontier for infantry on the 10th Corps Area, and troops will be sent there should the situation become serious as a result of the expected "flood" of refugees.

BARCELONA WILL BE DEFENDED

PERPIGNAN, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean).—Barcelona will not be surrendered but will be defended to the last man, declare Republican Spanish political circles, and between 250 and 300 guns of various calibres have been placed around the city to defend it.

The bomb-proof fortress of Castell de Perelada, near Girona and about 20 kilometres from the French frontier, to which reports say the Government is being transferred, is said to contain numerous valuable objects of art as well as jewels and the remaining gold reserves of the Bank of Spain.

15 MILES ONLY FROM BARCELONA

LERIDA, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—As a result of yesterday's advance, the Insurgents claim that their front line is now within 15 miles of Barcelona at certain points.

The Insurgent phalanx of 150,000 faces the Llobregat River defences running north-westwards from the coast. Progress averaging five miles is also claimed on the 25-mile front from Igualda to Villanueva, and that simultaneously the Insurgents are advancing along the road to Seo de Urgel and the Ponssolona road, with the evident intention of severing Barcelona's link with France.

SUPPLIES FROM FRANCE?
The Insurgent authorities at Burgos declare that war material for the Loyalist, including 22 tanks, passed through the frontier towns of Port Vendres, Cerberes and Leperthus on Friday night.

UNJUST EMBARGO
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Mr. Henry L. Stimson, former Secretary of State, has sent a letter to Mr. Cordell Hull urging the lifting of embargo on arms to Spain.

The letter has not been published, but the "New York Times" understands that the opinion is expressed that the embargo is most unjust, and is not what the American people and Congress intended.

U.S. CITIZENS TO EVACUATE BARCELONA, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—All United States citizens here and in Catalonia have been ordered to prepare for evacuation. The order was issued by the United States Consul-General. The United States

TO MARRY SIR R. VANSITTART'S STEPSON



Miss Yvonne Shenton who is to marry Sir Cecil Edward Borel, son of the late Sir Colville Borel and of Lady Vansittart, Sir Robert Vansittart, who married Lady Borel as his second wife in 1931, is Chief Diplomatic Adviser to the Government. Miss Shenton is the only daughter of Sir William and Lady Shenton.

YUGOSLAVIA AND ITALY

Economic Agreement Said Reached

ROME, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean).—Concrete results of the meeting between Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister and Dr. Stoyadinovich, Yugoslav Premier, are assumed to be the following:

1. Establishment of closer co-operation between Italy and Yugoslavia in the economic field.
2. Founding of an Italian chamber of commerce in Belgrade and a similar institution in Rome and
3. Setting up of a large Italian motor-car factory in Belgrade through participation of the Yugoslav industry and capital.

The prospect of a credit of half a milliard lire to Yugoslavia for the purpose of purchasing armaments in Italy is also considered, and according to reliable sources there is also the possibility of a credit being granted to Yugoslavia for other purposes.

FACT WITH HUNGARY

An impending Italo-Yugoslav cultural agreement is also announced by authoritative circles, and it is believed that as a result of the Ciano-Stoyadinovich conferences, Hungary and Yugoslavia will sign a non-aggression agreement in the near future.

The Director of the Jewish Refugee Bureau founded by the Evian Conference, Mr. G. Rublee, arrived in Paris from Berlin to continue the negotiations regarding the emigration of Jews from Germany.

Chinese Troops Pouring Into Shanghai Areas

CHUNGKING, January 23 (Central).—Chinese troops in large numbers are steadily pouring into the country around Shanghai, forcing isolated Japanese outposts to resort to drastic defensive measures, according to advices received here.

Sporadic fighting broke out almost nightly during the past week between the quick-hitting and quick-retreating guerrillas and the harassed Japanese. On Saturday night, gunfire became clearly audible about 10 p.m. in the downtown districts of Shanghai, indicating the proximity of the fire to the heart of the city.

More than a dozen blockhouses for sentinels have been erected by the Japanese in the western district and the Chinese native city to the south. Communications are entirely suspended near the Kaohsiung Arsenal, the favourite place for guerrilla activities.

JAPANESE WITHDRAW

The bulk of Japanese forces at Pootung, according to military intelligence, are once more withdrawn to the railway line, leaving the country to the control of the Chinese partisans.

Along the Bund at Nantao, Japanese forces are now centred at the South Station and the Shanghai High School, while troops movements are busy along the Shanghai-Minhong highway.

In the meantime, large numbers of wounded Japanese "from the various fronts are streaming back to Shanghai. About 200 of these war victims are daily being moved from Hongkew to the Chungshan Hospital at Fenglingkiao.

PETROL QUOTAS REDUCED IN TOKYO

Makeshift Devices For Traffic

Tokyo, Jan. 23 (Int'l).—Motor traffic in Tokyo is now faced with a period of makeshift devices as the petrol quotas have been reduced by more than 50 per cent. for the limitations first instituted last May. They are likely to be further reduced in February as petrol is to be saved up for the war in China.

The quota for a taxi was 230 gallons last May, 150 in December and 140 per month in January. On the average a Tokyo taxi ran nearly 400 kilometres before the quota system but it is running only 140 kilometres per day.

NUMBER DECREASED
The total number of taxis has also drastically decreased. The taxi businessmen's associations are working out plans to rationalize the system of taxi operation, improve the driving method to economize on petrol and to obtain substitute fuel.

The present types of charcoal-burning cars are not welcomed by taxi businessmen because they are uneconomical and their power is poor.

Taxis available at night have decreased and taxi drivers are unwilling to make long trips to the great inconvenience of the customers.

ORDERS FOR 12 NEW ITALIAN MOTORSHIPS

ROME, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean).—Orders for 12 new motorships, of 10,000 tons each, with a travelling speed of 16 knots, were placed with various Italian shipbuilding yards, especially of Genoa, by the Association of Independent Shipowners of Liguria province. The ships will be commissioned in 1941.

Not only the latest technical developments but also war-time requirements will be considered in their construction.

Numerous ships are at present under construction at Italian shipyards on foreign account including three motor vessels of 8,500 tons each for the Philippines, three motor tankers of 11,000 tons each for Mexico and two motor vessels of 10,600 tons each for Brazil.

RANGOON STRIKES SPREADING

RANGOON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—A party of British police and troops surrounded the rest house in Shwedagon Pagoda and arrested ten members of the working committee of the Burma for Burmans' Party, including the president, and seized documents and pamphlets.

The Party issued a call for a general strike throughout Burma. At present the strikes in Rangoon are spreading.

GAOL SENTENCE QUASHED BY APPEAL COURT

JERUSALEM, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Court of Appeal to-day quashed the sentence of a year's imprisonment passed on a British constable, John Mansell, who was found guilty of an attempt to do grievous bodily harm in connection with the shooting and killing of an Arab prisoner. The Court of Appeal will give its verdict on Wednesday on the appeal of another constable, Wood, who was sentenced to three years for attempted manslaughter.

FOUR MISSING CARS FOUND

Four private motor-cars, that had within the last few days been reported to the police as lost, were found yesterday, three at various points in Central district and one in Wanchai district.

Three car-owners whose missing cars were found and returned to them yesterday are Mr. Hillier, of Kennedy Road, Mr. Luen, of Pokfulam Road, and Dr. Luing, of St. John's Apartments.

Mr. W.H. Owen, of 164, The Peak, has reported to the police that his black Vauxhall saloon car, No. 1598, was taken away from Statue Square, near the Star Ferry between 2.45 and 8.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

WOMEN REMANDED IN CUSTODY

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Two young women were remanded in custody at Manchester on a charge of having in their possession or under their control explosives and bombs, including a barrel of potassium chlorate, a hundredweight of black iron oxide, two Mills bombs, 49 sticks of gelignite, 10 electric detonators and an alarm clock fitted with electrical connections.

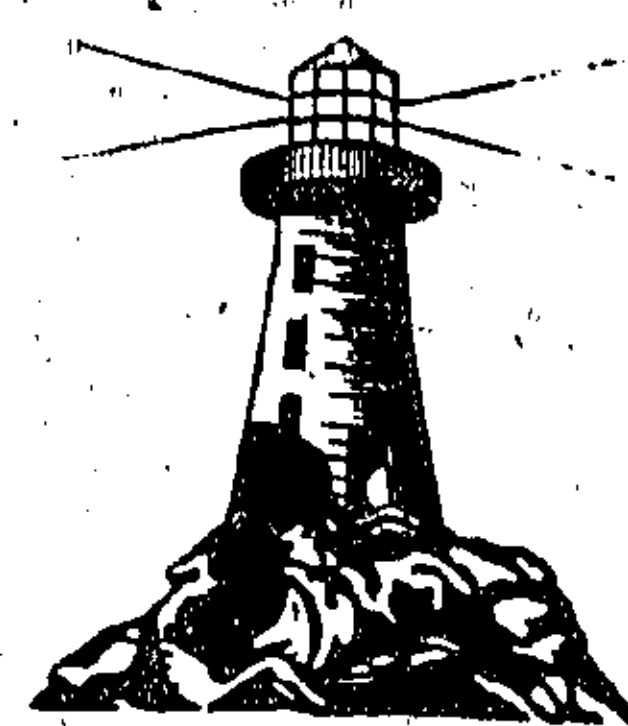
WOLVES CAUSE ALARM

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 23 (T/Ocean).—Wolves have so greatly increased in the Swedish province of Jemtland of late that reindeer herds in this district, and even the lives of vacationists in the winter sport resorts, are seriously endangered. The authorities have, therefore, decided to take drastic measures and are holding a wolf hunt with planes equipped with machine-guns.

SHENSI AIR RAID CASUALTIES

SIAN, Jan. 23 (Central).—More than 30 civilian casualties were inflicted by 15 Japanese bombers during an air raid over Weinan, on the Lunghai Railway in eastern Shensi, yesterday.

Over 30 bombs were dropped in the western part of the town and at the railway station. Some 50 houses were demolished.



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America Faces Foreign Invasion, Says Senator

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Senator Key Pittman, supporting the Administration's armament programme in a wireless debate last night, contended that the United States faced the danger of foreign invasion.

He said that Hitler's ambition would "never be satisfied," while the ambition and fixed policy of the Japanese militarists was to dominate all eastern Asia and islands in western Pacific.

The Republican, Senator Taft, whose party has appointed a committee of 11 to examine the arms programme, admitted that President Roosevelt's demands were not excessive, but asserted that the President had given indications in favour of a foreign policy "most different from mere defence of the United States" and one which in the end would require much greater armament.

ESCAPE FROM BOMBING

Chungking Populace Leaving City

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Chinese press estimates that 30,000 of the Chungking populace are leaving the city daily and crossing the Chialing River for the north bank to escape possible Japanese bombing of the present seat of the Chinese National Government.

WOUNDED BY GUNMEN

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Ho Tsan, Japanese-appointed "mayor" of Hangchow was seriously wounded when two gunmen entered his home in Hangchow last night and emptied their pistols and threw hand grenades.

Ho Tsan was sent to hospital suffering from a bullet wound in the thigh.

His wife and four others were also wounded and were removed to hospital. The assailants escaped unidentified.

TOAST TO EX-KAISER FORBIDDEN

BERLIN, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Army officers have been forbidden to drink the health of the ex-Kaiser on January 27, the 80th birthday of the former German Emperor.

All officers have been instructed to "get up and leave any company where such a toast is proposed."

CZECHS WARNED BY HITLER TO BE FRIENDLY

BERLIN, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Dr. Frantisek Chvalkovsky, Czech Foreign Minister, has been given to understand that there should not be room in Czechoslovakia for a policy directed against Germany, said a German spokesman commenting on Dr. Chvalkovsky's visit.

Dr. Chvalkovsky's discussions with Baron von Ribbentrop and Herr Hitler were restricted to economic problems and political relations, and military questions were not touched.

The "National Zeitung" expects from the visit further improvement in Czechoslovak relations, not only with Germany, but also Hungary.

SPELLING BEE

Cambridge Beat Oxford

Cambridge defeated Oxford by one point in a spelling bee over Z.B.W. last night when such words were pronounced to test the contestants' ability to spell them as coccyx, disestablishmentarianism, dithyramb, sequepialianism, and schist.

The winning Cambridge team comprised Mr. Justice R.E. Lindell, Messrs. J. P. Whitman, W. M. Brown and G. P. Ferguson. Oxford, who mispell twice to Cambridge's one failure, were represented by Messrs. Q. A. Macfadayen, L. E. Holmes, C. B. Burgess and R. H. Griffiths.

INDIAN IMMIGRATION TO MALAYA

MADRAS, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Malayan delegation which is visiting India to discuss with the Indian Government matters relating to Indian immigration to Malaya arrived to-day and had a conference with the Premier of Madras and the Minister for Industries and Labour. The delegation is going to Delhi to-morrow.

RADIO PROGRAMMES

(Continued from Page 3)

1.30 p.m. Benny Goodman and His Orchestra.
Afrail to Dream—Fox-Trot (film "You can't have everything"); Roll Em—Fox-Trot. Love Me, or Leave Me (Kahn).

1.40 p.m. Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Speaker: Past President Rotarian R. D. Walker. Subject: "Across America."

2.15 p.m. Close down.

6 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel:—(a) Change Partners (b) You're Got Something there (c) Ole King Cole and (d) Rhythm Mad. 6.14 p.m. Record: Mayo Hornpipe; Eel in the Sink—Irish Reel—Frank Murphy (Accordion) with Piano. 6.21 p.m. (a) Bewildered (b) Mama's Gone Good-bye (c) You're as pretty as a picture and (d) Happy when I'm singing. 6.35 p.m. Records: Rio De Janeiro (de Gredos); Joey The Clown (Myers)—Rudy Starita (Xylophone) with Orchestra. Love Is Love, Anywhere (film "Let's Fall In Love")—Carroll Gibbons and His Boy Friends. 6.44 p.m. (a) You're not the kind (b) East Side Kick (c) Basin Street Blues and (d) Twilight in Turkey.

7 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.03 p.m. Georges Thill (Tenor) in a French Programme.

La Precieuse (Couperin, arr. Kreisler)—Marcel Mule (Saxophone) with Piano. Nuits d'Espagne (from "Scenes Pittoresques"—Massenet); Ouvre Ton Coeur (Bizet)—Georges Thill (Tenor) with Maurice Faure at the Piano.

Dimanche De Paques Dur La Mer (Dupont, arr. Feuillard)—Maurice Maréchal (Violoncello) with Maurice Faure at the Piano.

Clair De Lune (Faure and Verlaine)—Georges Thill (Tenor) with Maurice Faure at the Piano. Air Varié Sur Un Theme Suisse (Mozart)—Grande Republique Band of France cond. by Pierre Dupont.

Tarentelle (Monnier and Faure, Op. 10, No. 2)—Germaine Cernay (Mezzo-Soprano) and Rene Talba (Tenor) with Joseph Benvenuti at the Piano.

7.30 p.m. Harold Ramsay (Organ), Kitty Masters (Vocal) and Jack Hylton and His Orchestra and others.

Famous Tauber Melodies—Harold Ramsay on the Mighty Wurlitzer at the Granada Theatre, Tooting.

with Hawaiian Guitar. Mol, J'Suis Pas Comme Ca (Gardou)—Jean Cyrano (Vocal) with Orchestra.

Timber—Fox-Trot—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain. Stardust Covered Bundle (Hodges); She's The Wealthiest Woman On Earth (Godfrey)—Kitty Masters (Vocal) with Orch. September in the Rain—Fox-Trot (Film "Melody for Two"); A Melody for Two—Fox-Trot (from the film)—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

Rodeo March (Ramsay)—Harold Ramsay at the Wurlitzer Organ of the Union Cinema, Kingston.

8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Studio—Concert by Geo. Plo-Uiski's String Orchestra.

1. Dreibund—Walzer (Benatzky); 2. Aria from "The Pearlfishers" (Bizet);—Memories of Tosti—La Scala Singers. 3. Londonderry Air (Traditional); 4. Hungarian Fantasia (Radics); 5. Serenade (Tosti). Interval—A Summer Night (A. Goring Thomas); The Great Awakening (Johnstone and Kramer)—Eddie Ackland (Contralto) with Organ accomp. by Herbert Dawson. 6. Telefunken—Potpourri Morena.

9 p.m. Studio—Gaston d'Aquinio (Tenor) and E. O'Neill Shaw (Piano).

1. Che Gelida Manina ("La Boheme"—Puccini); 2. Una Furtiva Lagrima ("L'Elisir d'Amore"—Donizetti)—Gaston d'Aquinio accompanied by E. O'Neill Shaw. 3. Etude in 5/8 Time (Alpheraky)—E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano. 4. Visione (Tosti). 5. Perdutamente (Tosti). 6. Povers Pulehella (Buzzi-Peccia)—Gaston d'Aquinio (Tenor) accomp. by E. O'Neill Shaw.

9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m. Orchestral. "Love of the Three Oranges" (Prokofiev)—London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

10 p.m. London Relay—"This Racing Business" 4: Ten Years of the "Tote."

By Sir Clement Hindley, K.C.I.E. 10.15 p.m. Excerpts from Verdi's Operas.

"A Masked Ball"—Alla Vita Che T'arride—Heinrich Schunus (Bartone) with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Hermann Weigert. "La Traviata"—Violetta's Aria—"E strano! e strano!—Sempre libera—Maria Cebotari (Soprano)

11 p.m. Close down.

SCARED BY WAR DREAMS FOR TWENTY YEARS

War memories were so vivid to Captain Oliver Edwards, M. C., of Slough, Bucks, that he was afraid to go to sleep lest he dream of war.

He was found dead recently on the line at Iver, Bucks, and the coroner was told that the September crisis had so upset him that he had lost his sense of direction. His son went to Shanghai recently. A friend died a week before Edwards.

An open verdict was returned.

NEW WHITAKER'S ALMANAC

The 1939 edition of Whitaker's Almanac, containing important alterations and additions, is invaluable for reference purposes.

The volume records the anxious times of last year when the peace of the world was threatened. The Czech situation, the Spanish war and the situation in the Far East are among the important matters dealt with in the chronicle of events.

Other matters of current interest are treated in special articles, among them being the Anglo-American trade agreement, world production figures and other important data.

Other articles deal with the arts and sciences.

NAVAL FORCE OFF WEICHOW ISLAND

KWEILIN, Jan. 23 (Central).—The number of Japanese naval vessels near Weichow Island, off Peking in the Gulf of Tonkin, was increased to 13 yesterday. They include an aircraft carrier and a destroyer.

with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Prof. Robert Heger. "Rigolette"—Paraphrase De Concert—Alfred Cortot (Piano).

"Don Carlos"—Ella G. Iammal Mamo; Dormiro! Sol Mel Manto Mio Regal—Tancredi Pasero (Bass) with the E.I.A.R. Symphony Orch.

Turin. "Aida"—Ballet Suite—Boston Promenade Orchestra cond. by Arthur Fiedler. "Otello"—Willow Song; Hall, Mary, Full of Grace—Elisabeth Rethberg (Soprano) with Orchestra.

11 p.m. Close down.

"FEEDER" SERVICES ON EMPIRE AIR ROUTES

An analysis of some of the latest reports as to civil air progress throughout the Empire emphasizes one point which is now of outstanding importance. This is the influence which is being exercised on commercial air development overseas by the great "all-up" non-surcharge mail scheme.

Not only is this scheme having a progressively stimulating influence along trunk routes, but it is also leading now, to greatly increased activity as regards the development of internal air transport in all the areas it serves.

This, of course, represents the natural desire of Empire territories to reap the fullest local advantage from the non-surcharge carriage of mails. It is this phase of Empire aviation on which is being illustrated so strikingly, just now, by messages from many different quarters.

Such reports may be summarized by saying that regions now served by the "all-up" plan are determined that bulk mail-loads reaching them from Britain shall be delivered with the least possible delay not only in their chief cities but also throughout outlying areas located, in some cases, at very considerable distance from any main centre of supply.

MANY DEVELOPMENTS

To give effect to this policy means, of course, the establishment of further "feeder" or auxiliary air lines, and it is in this regard that one report after another now tells the same story—a story of additional aeroplane alighting-grounds; of amplified wireless and weather services; of improved technical equipment of all kinds, and, based on all such improved organization, the spreading of still wider networks of internal routes for the collection of the delivery of air-borne mails.

It is in this way that the policy of carrying all first-class mails by air on main routes will, in due course, bring the benefits of air transport to the most remote of Empire trading posts and stations reducing to a matter of hours or days, journeys which have previously occupied several weeks or perhaps even months.

WEATHER REPORT

HONGKONG ROYAL OBSERVATORY

10 a.m. January 23.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.26 ins.
Temperature, 59 F.
Humidity, 83 per cent.
Wind Direction, East.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.
Temperature: maximum yesterday, 61 F.
Temperature: minimum last night, 57 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th to-day, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1, 0.85 ins.

Against an average of 0.58 ins. Sunset to-night, 6.05 p.m.

Sunrise to-morrow, 7.05 a.m. 4 p.m., January 23.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.15. Temperature, 61.

Humidity, 76.
Wind Direction, E.S.E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 24 to 30 Jan. 1939

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tue.	24	12.17	4.9	06.50	1.3
Wed.	25	12.30	5.6	07.09	3.8
Thur.	26	12.38	5.0	06.51	1.6
Fri.	27	12.43	0.2	07.46	3.4
Sat.	28	13.08	5.3	07.24	3.6
Sun.	29	00.32	5.6	07.15	2.9
Mon.	30	13.33	5.5	07.40	3.5
		01.10	5.0	07.26	2.7
		14.21	7	21.58	3.4
		02.25	4.4	08.02	3.1
		15.0	5.1	23.31	3.0
		4.1	3.9	08.40	3.3
		18.21	6.5	—	—

Maximum temperature, 63.
Minimum temperature, 57.
Rainfall, nil.

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Finance and Commerce

LONDON SILVER MARKET IN 1938 REVIEWED

Even Range Maintained During The Year

Messrs. Mocatta and Goldsmid, in their annual bullion letter, write:—Taken as a whole, the Silver Market has had a less disturbing year than might have been expected in view of the fact that the London Silver Agreement expired on December 31, 1937. Indeed, the range of prices (2-3/16d.) is the narrowest on record and both the highest and lowest prices of the year were quoted not only in the same month (March), but within 11 days of each other.

The following table show the range of prices month by month and as compared with previous years.

	Highest d.	Lowest d.	Average d.	Difference between Spot & Forward Premium on Spot
January	20-3/8	19-1/4	19-11/16	3/16-3/8
February	20-3/8	19-15/16	19-11/16	1/4-1/2
March	20-9/16	18-3/8	19-11/16	3/16-7/16
April	18-1/8	18-9/16	18-11/16	3/16-1/2
May	18-15/16	18-5/8	18-11/16	3/16-3/8
June	19-1/16	18-11/16	18-11/16	1/8-1/2
July	19-13/16	18-15/16	18-11/16	1/8-1/4
August	19-9/16	18-1/8	18-11/16	1/8-1/4
September	19-11/16	18-3/4	18-11/16	1/8-5/16
October	19-13/16	18-5/16	18-11/16	1/8-1/4
November	20-1/4	19-1/2	19-11/16	1/4-3/4
December	20-3/16	19-15/16	19-11/16	5/16-13/16

In the middle of April, Mr. Morgenthau announced that the U.S. Treasury would purchase Mexican silver in exactly the same way as silver from other sources, namely, at the price of the day it was offered. This cleared up the Mexican situation and with it, the only disturbing feature of the year.

The range of prices from the end of April till the end of October was only 1/4d. and day to day movements were unimportant. Moreover, there were few items of interest during that period—amongst them was the repeal at the end of April of the order of 1934, whereby American silver stocks had to be handed over to the Treasury, though, of course the 50 percent tax on profit remained. This presumably permitted private firms and individuals to deal in silver; but it is noticeable that few have taken advantage of this, at any rate on the London market.

EUROPEAN CRISIS

In June the U.S.A. renewed their agreement with China, and in September fears of a boycott of Mexican silver by the American Government owing to further disputes led to Eastern selling but without materially moving the price. Later on in September, during the time of the European crisis, there was considerable uncertainty about War Risk Insurance rates, and in spite of the weakness of Sterling silver had a tendency to ease, the price being fixed well below New York parity. This however was the only effect, the crisis had on silver and it was negligible.

SMALL PRICE RANGE

The range of prices in February was smaller and there was little of interest beyond the announcement that the American Government had contracted to purchase a monthly quota of 5,000,000 ounces from Mexico and up to 2,000,000 ounces from Canada at the price quoted in New York when the silver was offered. This had no effect on the price as it was not regarded as a change in their silver policy. In the Indian Budget on February 26, no change was made in the import duty of 3 annas per ounce.

March opened quietly with the price at 20-1/16d., but bear covering and a strong dollar gave the market a rising tendency till the 13th when the highest price of the year, 20-9/16d., was quoted. The weakness of sterling was largely due to the unsettled state of Europe and when on the 21st conditions appeared to be better, there was an improvement in sterling and a small reaction in silver.

Unfortunately, however, it was at this moment that the Mexican Government thought fit to expropriate British and American oil companies, and silver operators were quick to see the possibility of retaliation by the U.S. Government by repudiating their silver arrangements with Mexico. Their fears were quickly realized, for on the 27th it was announced that as from April 1 the American Government would discontinue buying the monthly quota of 5,000,000 ounces established earlier in the year.

VIOLENTLY DISTURBED

Once more the London Market was violently disturbed, the price falling 2d. in two days, the lowest price of the year, 18-3/8d., being quoted on the 29th and 30th. At the same time the New York price fell from 45 cents to 43 cents. On the fall there were large forward purchases by India, but, perhaps surprisingly, few sales by Mexico in London. This gave the market resistance and 19-13/16d. was quoted at the end of the month.

SUPPLEMENTARY INDUSTRIES OF SZECHUEN

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (Central).—Farmers in Szechuen are engaged in many supplementary rural industries with technical help from the government and academic bodies.

Outstanding among these is hog-raising. This is a thriving industry in 82 out of more than 100 hsien in the province, and the number of pigs raised annually exceed 8,000,000. Szechuen's pigs are valued especially for their bristles, and upwards of 15,000 piculs of bristles, valued at \$8,000,000, are exported annually.

Next in importance is tung oil. Tung trees are grown in 71 hsien and the annual production of tung oil amounts to 780,000 piculs, valued at upwards of \$30,000,000. A place of considerable importance in China's foreign trade is occupied by the silk produced in 38 hsien in Szechuen. During prosperous years, the annual export of silk from this province to foreign markets amount to more than 10,000 piculs, valued at upwards of \$10,000,000. Backed by new capital, a scheme is now in full swing to make Szechuen's silk production worth \$70,000,000 annually by 1945.

PAPER AND CLOTH

The paper industry is also important in view of the shortage of newspaper in war-time. Paper is manufactured in 32 hsien, and the annual output is more than 1,000,000 piculs, valued at upwards of \$10,000,000.

Weaving and spinning are the most common industries among farm women, the former covering 47 hsien and the latter 33 hsien. The total amount of cotton cloth produced annually is valued at more than \$100,000,000.

Another supplementary industry of Szechuen farmers is the growing of tobacco, which is done in 39 hsien. More than 600,000 piculs are produced annually, valued at upwards of \$10,000,000.

These rural industries, have hitherto been conducted with the most primitive methods. The Reconstruction Department of the Szechuen Provincial Government, aided by the Farm Credit Bureau, the Farmers' Bank of China, the Szechuen Co-operative Committee, and the agricultural colleges of the University of Nanking, Central University, and the Szechuen Provincial University, is introducing scientific methods for their improvement.

FOREIGN TRADE OF U.S.S.R.

Great Britain Is Best Customer

The foreign trade turnover of Soviet Russia in the period January-July 1938, according to statistics published by the Central Customs Department of the U.S.S.R., amounted to 1,483,799,000 roubles, of which 647,288,000 roubles comprised exports and 836,511,000 roubles imports.

For the corresponding period of 1937, the total trade turnover amounted to 1,824,085,000 roubles, comprising 827,663,000 roubles of exports and 796,422,000 roubles of imports.

For the first seven months of 1938, there was an excess of imports over exports of 189,223,000 roubles, whereas for the corresponding period of 1937 exports exceeded imports by 31,241,000 roubles.

Great Britain was the Soviet's greatest purchaser, with 180,386,000 roubles of trade. In the seven months while the United States, with 239,515,000 roubles, was the largest exporter to the Soviet Union.

Government or the U.S.S.R. Moderate amounts have been bought by Hungary but Portuguese purchases have been negligible.

PROSPECTS FOR 1939

The best that can be said for the prospects for 1939 is that there appears to be little that should cause any great upheaval in the market. Although President Roosevelt suffered a setback in the recent elections, he is still in power and until the autumn of 1940, when the presidential elections are due, there

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IMPROVEMENT IN MANILA MARKET SEEN

Barring unforeseen circumstances, the Manila mining share market this year is expected to follow a better trend than last year as shown by present indications, according to a statement issued by former Judge Ceferino M. Villareal.

Judge Villareal points out that the healthy behaviour of the market will be guided by the fact that the public has had its lesson in the past and is therefore proceeding more cautiously in investing its money in sound stocks.

Mr. Villareal's statement follows:

"The current year 1939 seems to have better prospects for the stock market than did the past year. As things are turning out, I believe, that barring a local 'casus belli,' well may we expect moderate continued improvement of the stocks quoted on the market in the city, with the usual fluctuations arising from the law of supply and demand as a result of various factors. There may even be a general movement, also in a gradual way, of all the other stocks listed on the board, due to the precautions of the public in general against heavy investments in high-priced stocks."

"If this state of mind of the public continues, and there be more traders, everybody will take great care in playing the stock market on high-priced issues due to lack of public investors who would follow them in their footsteps. The public has had its lesson and is proceeding more cautiously. Not in vain did it receive in the past bitter lessons as a result of investments in exceptionally high-priced securities."

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Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's surveyors.

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MELCHERS & CO., Agents.
NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
Hong Kong, 22nd Jan., 1939.

LONDON SILVER MARKET

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is little likelihood of any radical change in the U.S. silver policy.

Such events as the expiry of the London Agreement and the seizure of oilfields by Mexico have been successfully dealt with and the arrangements for the purchase of foreign silver by the U.S.A. appear to be working smoothly.

At the worst there might be a complete change round by the American Government or another European crisis. But both of these events are unlikely, and we expect a featureless 1939 with the average price very near that of 1938.

IMPORTS

	1937	1938	(to Dec. 24)
Germany	3,048,131	3,532,715	
Netherlands	2,287,192	1,284,724	
Belgium	6,595,386	8,950,507	

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FLYING SQUAD

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EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE. A.R.P. Courses. The A.R.P. Courses will be held at the Club Lusitano, 16, Ice House Street on Tuesday and Friday, January 24 and 27 at 17.30 hours.

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C. CHAMPKIN, D.S.P. (R)
Monday, Jan. 23, 1939

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

THE M.V. "LEVERKUSEN" having arrived from Hamburg and Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after two Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 26th Jan., 1939, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 28th Jan., 1939, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 26th Feb., 1939, or they will not be recognized.

No insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JEBSEN & CO., Agents.
Hong Kong, 19th Jan., 1939.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

From LENTH, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON, STRAITS & MANILA.

THE S.S. "BENVENUE"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th Jan., 1939, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 26th Feb., or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 24th Jan., 1939, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

W. R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA), LTD., Agents.
Hong Kong, 19th Jan., 1939.

France	1,655,900	10,078,211
Czechoslovakia	975,820	1,758,000
U.S.A.	468,631	199,589
Egypt	2,707,800	
South Africa	73,377	665,421
Argentina	458,150	528,794
India (refined)	1,312,441	5,469,803
India (unrefined)	658,752	2,797,918
Australia	2,922,894	4,736,553
Mexico	12,221,622	
New Zealand	398,929	304,027
Roumania	984,000	
Canada	2,886,438	367,523
French Indo-China	5,367,488	
China		5,240,024
Japan	11,393,718	11,151,316
Hongkong	174,238,840	148,795,885
Others	5,121,251	8,843,380
	235,757,724	212,682,398

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C. CHAMPKIN, D.S.P. (R)
Monday, Jan. 23, 1939

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMER "SOUDAN"

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON

2nd JAN., 1939.

FROM

ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MARSSEILLE, MALTA, PORT SAID, ADEN, COLOMBO AND ATRAIT.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary Six Hours before arrival of the steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage period.

Consignees are specially notified that it is necessary for a Revenue Officer to be present at the examination of damaged dutiable cargo.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 12th Feb., 1939, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co. Agents.
Hong Kong, 22nd Jan., 1939.

SILVER LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM

NEW YORK & SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Motor Vessel "SILVEREY"

having arrived from the above Ports on 21st instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, 27th instant, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within 15 Days of the vessel's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th inst., 1939, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hong Kong, 21st Jan., 1939.



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* CALLS AT SHANGHAI

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S.S. "PRESIDENT MONROE" Mar. 31st at 12—Noon

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S.S. "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE" Sails Feb. 3rd at 9.00 P.M.
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Amoy & Shanghai	"YUNNAN"	On 24th Jan., 5 p.m.
Swatow, Foochow, Wailu, Chikho & Tientsin	"YOHOW"	On 25th Jan., 11 a.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	"KIANGSU"	On 25th Jan., 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"SINKIANG"	On 25th Jan., 2 p.m.
Kwangchowwan (Port BAYARD)	"SHANTUNG"	On 28th Jan., 9 p.m.
Hoihow & Haiphong	"KAYING"	On 28th Jan., 5 p.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"SUOCHOW"	On 29th Jan., 11 a.m.
Swatow, Chikho & Bangkok	"KALIAN"	On 29th Jan., 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 31st Jan., 4 p.m.
Kwangchowwan (Port BAYARD) & Haiphong	"JEAN DUPUIS"	On 31st Jan., 4 p.m.
Chuanchow (for passengers only)	"TAIYUAN"	On 31st Jan., 5 p.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"KWANGTUNG"	On 1st Jan., 11 a.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	"Hoihow"	On 1st Jan., 11 a.m.
Wailu, Chikho & Tientsin	"KINGYUAN"	On 3rd Jan., 11 a.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	"KINGYUAN"	On 3rd Jan., 11 a.m.
Kwangchowwan (Port BAYARD) & Haiphong	"JEAN DUPUIS"	On 14th Jan., 4 p.m.

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TAIPING	10 Mar.	17 Mar.	20 Mar.	5 Apr.
CHANGTE	11 Apr.	18 Apr.	21 Apr.	7 May
TAIPING	12 May	19 May	22 May	7 June

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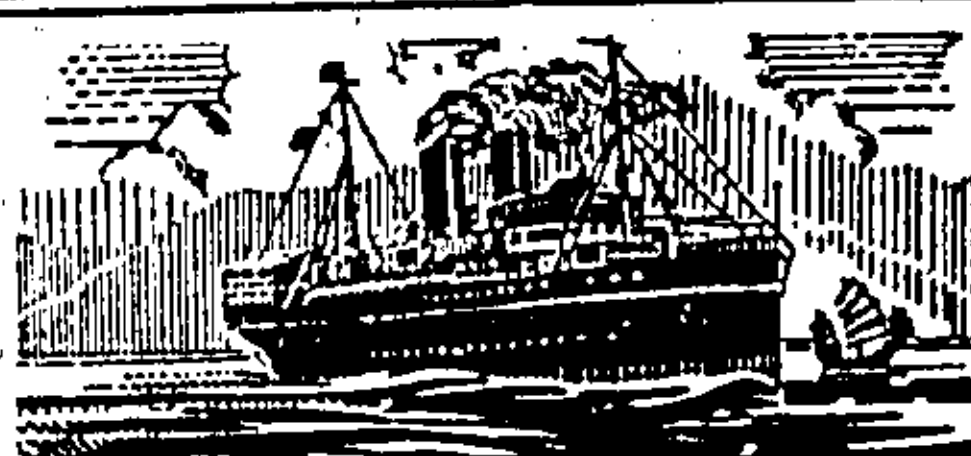
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Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.	Mennon, B. & S., Feb. 12.
Behar, P. & O., Feb. 19.	Nellore, E. & A. S. Co., Feb. 1.
Bhutan, P. & O., Jan. 28.	Neptuna, Gibb's, Feb. 8.
Burgundland, Feb. 10.	Peiping, Gilman's, Jan. 30.
Canton, Gilman's, Feb. 14.	Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 25.
Changte, B. & S., Feb. 7.	Peter Maersk, Feb. 27.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Feb. 19.	Pres. Donner, Messageries, Feb. 18.
Crown City, Thoresen's, Feb. 15.	Pres. Hayes, A. P. L., Feb. 3.
Cyclops, B. & S., Feb. 11.	Rajputana, P. & O., Feb. 3.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., Jan. 28.	Rampurs, P. & O., Feb. 2.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., Feb. 9.	Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.
Euang, Jardine's, Jan. 28.	Rheinland, Feb. 1.
Eumaeus, B. & S., Jan. 30.	Royal, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 21.
Felix Roussel, Messageries, Jan. 24.	Sailors, B. & S., Feb. 8.
Gilman's, Melchers, Jan. 25.	Sauerland, Feb. 27.
Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.	Sawokla, Thoresen's, Feb. 10.
Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.	Shirala, B. I. (Apar), Jan. 25.
Haruna Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 30.	Siam, E. A. Co., Feb. 16.
Hilda Maersk, Feb. 13.	Slantor, B. & S., Feb. 12.
Hoihow, B. & S., Feb. 13.	Suising, Jardine's, Jan. 31.
Kalgan, B. & S., Jan. 26.	Tai Sein Hong, Jardine's, Jan. 26.
Katori Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 11.	Tai Yin, Dodwell's, Feb. 15.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Jan. 22.	Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 14.
Kitano Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 25.	Talima, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 14.
Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 25.	Tathylbus, B. & S., Jan. 31.
Lahore, P. & O., Jan. 31.	Tauda, E. & A. S. Co., Feb. 3.
Mausang, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	Tegelberg, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 20.
	Tikamba, J. C. J. Line, Feb. 12.

ADVERTISED SAILING FROM HONGKONG

NORTHWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Amoy	Seistan, Douglas, Jan. 24.
Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.
Haitan, Douglas, Jan. 25.	Haitan, Douglas, Jan. 25.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Jan. 26.	Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	Ming-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
Rheinland, Feb. 1.	Pronto, Feb. 2.
Chuanchow	Seistan, Douglas, Jan. 24.
Tingnara, B. & S., Jan. 31.	Dairen
Crefeld, Melchers, Jan. 24.	R. C. Rickmers, Feb. 1.
Patrolus, B. & S., Jan. 25.	Patrolus, B. & S., Jan. 25.
Rheinland, Feb. 1.	Fulda, Melchers, Feb. 10.
Tathylbus, B. & S., Feb. 18.	Foochow
Seistan, Douglas, Jan. 24.	Yochow, B. & S., Jan. 25.
Haitan, Douglas, Jan. 25.	Pronto, Feb. 2.
Hinghwa	Seistan, Douglas, Jan. 24.
Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
R. C. Rickmers, Feb. 1.	Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.
Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.	Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.
Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.	Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 28.
Eumaeus, B. & S., Jan. 30.	Suising, Jardine's, Feb. 1.
Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.	Rheinland, Feb. 1.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.	Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.
Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.	Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 3.
India, E. A. Co., Feb. 3.	Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.	Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.
Gertrude Maersk, Feb. 10.	Cyclops, B. & S., Feb. 11.
Pres. Coolidge, A. P. L., Feb. 11.	Mennon, B. & S., Feb. 12.
Tathylbus, B. & S., Feb. 13.	Canton, Gilman's, Feb. 14.
Pres. Donner, Messageries, Feb. 15.	Talima, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 16.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.	Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., Feb. 21.
Keelung	Canton Maru, O. S. K., Jan. 30.
Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.	Canton Maru, O. S. K., Feb. 14.
Shanghai	Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.
Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.	Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.
Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	Taisang, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
R. C. Rickmers, Feb. 1.	Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.
Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.	Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.	Conto Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 27.
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Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	Suising, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
Suising, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	Ming-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
Ming-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	Patrolus, B. & S., Jan. 25.
Patrolus, B. & S., Jan. 25.	Taiyuan, B. & S., Jan. 31.
Taiyuan, B. & S., Jan. 31.	Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.
Rheinland, Feb. 1.	Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.	P. O. Feb. 2.
P. O. Feb. 2.	Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.
Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.	Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 3.
Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 3.	India, E. A. Co., Feb. 3.
India, E. A. Co., Feb. 3.	Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.
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Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.	Cyclops, B. & S., Feb. 11.
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Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.	Canton Maru, O. S. K., Feb. 14.
Canton Maru, O. S. K., Feb. 14.	Shanghai
Shanghai	Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.
Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.
Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.	Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.
Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.	Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	R. C. Rickmers, Feb. 1.
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Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.	Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.
Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.	Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 28.
Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 28.	Eumaeus, B. & S., Jan. 30.
Eumaeus, B. & S., Jan. 30.	Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.
Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.	Rheinland, Feb. 1.
Rheinland, Feb. 1.	Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.	P. O. Feb. 2.
P. O. Feb. 2.	Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.
Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.	Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 3.
Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 3.	India, E. A. Co., Feb. 3.
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Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.	Cyclops, B. & S., Feb. 11.
Cyclops, B. & S., Feb. 11.	Pres. Coolidge, A. P. L., Feb. 11.
Pres. Coolidge, A. P. L., Feb. 11.	Mennon, B. & S., Feb. 12.
Mennon, B. & S., Feb. 12.	Canton, Gilman's, Feb. 14.
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Canton Maru, O. S. K., Feb. 14.	Shanghai
Shanghai	Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.
Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.
Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.	Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.
Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.	Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
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Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.	Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.
Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.	Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 28.
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Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.	Rheinland, Feb. 1.
Rheinland, Feb. 1.	Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.
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Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.	Cyclops, B. & S., Feb. 11.
Cyclops, B. & S., Feb. 11.	Pres. Coolidge, A. P. L., Feb. 11.
Pres. Coolidge, A. P. L., Feb. 11.	Mennon, B. & S., Feb. 12.
Mennon, B. & S., Feb. 12.	Canton, Gilman's, Feb. 14.
Canton, Gilman's, Feb. 14.	Talima, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 16.
Talima, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 16.	Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., Feb. 21.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., Feb. 21.	Keelung
Keelung	Canton Maru, O. S. K., Jan. 30.
Canton Maru, O. S. K., Jan. 30.	Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.
Hakone Maru, N. Y. K., Feb. 10.	Canton Maru, O. S. K., Feb. 14.
Canton Maru, O. S. K., Feb. 14.	Shanghai
Shanghai	Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.
Yunnan, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.
Persuade, B. & S., Jan. 24.	Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.	Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.
Tingnara, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 25.	Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.
Kwai-sung, Jardine's, Jan. 27.	R. C. Rickmers, Feb. 1.
R. C. Rickmers, Feb. 1.	Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.
Grota Maersk, Feb. 30.	Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.
Pres. Maersk, Feb. 27.	Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 28.
Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 28.	Eumaeus, B. & S., Jan. 30.
Eumaeus, B. & S., Jan. 30.	Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.
Athos II, Messageries, Feb. 1.	Rheinland, Feb. 1.
Rheinland, Feb. 1.	Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 18.	P. O. Feb. 2.
P. O. Feb. 2.	Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.
Santhia, B. I. (Apar), Feb. 2.	Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 3.
Talabot, Thoresen's, Feb. 3.	India, E. A. Co., Feb. 3.
India, E. A. Co., Feb. 3.	Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.	Fulda, Melchers, Feb. 10.
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HIKAWA MARU (from Kobe) 7th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Honolulu, Hilo,
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* ATAGO MARU (from Kobe) 26th Feb.

NEW YORK via Panama.

* NAKO MARU 8th Feb.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, NAPLES via Suez.

HARUNA MARU 30th Jan.
KATORI MARU 11th Feb.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Dayao, Thurs-
day Island, Brisbane.

KITANO MARU 26th Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

* TOYAMA MARU 26th Jan.
TANGO MARU 9th Feb.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore.

* VITORIOCK 27th Jan.
TOBA MARU 9th Feb.

KOBE AND YOKOHAMA

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Chang On, British, 2,235 regis-
tered tons, Capt. L. N. Beer, from
H'phong and K.C. Wan, p.m., at
C.M.S.N. Wharf.—Dodwell & Co.
(Tel. 28021).

Felix Roussel, French, 9,400 reg.
tons, Captain J. Georges, from
M'selles and S'gon, 8 a.m., at Kow-
loon Wharf.—M.M. (Tel. 26651).

Kalgan, British, 1,556 regis-
tered tons, Captain F. Gibbs, from
B'kok and Swatow, a.m., at buoy
No. B?—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Hiram, Norwegian, 1,108 regis-
tered tons, Captain T. Olsen, from
B'kok and Swatow, a.m., at buoy
No. B?—Thoresen & Co. (Tel.
30237).

Tinegara, Dutch, 5,783 regis-
tered tons, Captain Van Rees, from
Java and Manila, 7 a.m., at buoy
No. A2—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

DUE TO-MORROW

Kitano Maru, Japanese, from
Japan, a.m., at buoy No. A11—
N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Van Heutsz, Dutch, 2,749 regis-
tered tons, Captain Beurts, from
Straits, a.m., at buoy No. A4—J.C.J.
Line. (Tel. 28015).

Perseus, British, 6,336 regis-
tered tons, Captain G. Rundle, from
Straits, a.m., at Holt's Wharf.—B.
& S. (Tel. 30331).

Gneisenau, German, 10,712 regis-
tered tons, Capt. R. Preiss, from
Europe and Manila, a.m., at Kow-
loon Wharf.—Melchers & Co. (Tel.
27772).

Shirala, British, 4,872 regis-
tered tons, Captain T. H. Gill, from
Japan, p.m., at buoy No. A3—M.M.
& Co. (Tel. 27721).

Kwai Sang, British, 1,435 reg.
tons, Captain D. S. Petrick, from
S'hai, a.m., at buoy No. B?—J.M.
& Co. (Tel. 30311).

Hai Lee, Norwegian, 2,180 regis-
tered tons, Capt. M. Worsoe, from
Rangoon and H'low, a.m., at buoy
No. C?—Thoresen & Co. (Tel.
30237).

Shun Chih, British, 1,173 regis-
tered tons, Captain W. Lee, from
Saloon, a.m., at buoy No. B?—Wo
Fat Sing. (Tel. 20005).

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada
arrived at Yokohama on January
21 (Saturday) at 4.30 p.m., left
Yokohama on Sunday, 22nd at 10
a.m., is due here on Saturday, 28th
at 9 a.m., and she will leave here
for Manila on the same day at 6
p.m.

The S.S. Gneisenau is expected to
arrive on Wednesday, the 25th inst.
at 6 a.m. She will berth alongside
Kowloon Wharf and will leave here
for Shanghai and Japan on the
25th at 8 p.m.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Tosan Maru, Japanese, 5,180 reg-
istered tons, Capt. K. Orihara,
from Manila, at buoy No. A7—
O.S.K. (Tel. 28061).

Agamemnon, British, 4,662 regis-
tered tons, Captain J. Connor, from
Japan and Shanghai, at buoy No.
A8—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Tai Poo Sek, French, 1,219 reg.
tons, Capt. J. Bonnamour, from
Kwang Chow Wan, at buoy
No. B10—Tal Fung & Co. (Tel.
20093).

Nanchang, British, 1,438 regis-
tered tons, Capt. J. Middleton, from
Cebu, at Talkoo Dock.—B. & S.
(Tel. 30331).

Paz, Honduran, 2,432 reg. tons.
Captain Antonio Naval, from Kee-
lung, at Talkoo Dock.—Geo. Grim-
ble. (Tel. 20342).

Hermos, Norwegian, 840 regis-
tered tons, Captain Ellassen, from
Hongay, at Yaumati.—Didwell &
Co. Tel. 28021.

SAILING TO-MORROW

Agamemnon, British, 4,662 regis-
tered tons, Capt. J. Connor, from
buoy No. A8, for Singapore, Mars,
London, R'dam, Hamburg and
Glasgow, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Centaur, British, 1,800 regis-
tered tons, Captain Murray, from
Talkoo Dock, for Spore and Fre-
mantle, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Tinegara, Dutch, 5,783 regis-
tered tons, Captain Van Rees, from
buoy No. A2, for Amoy and S'hai,
a.m.—J.C.J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Gneisenau, German, 10,712 regis-
tered tons, Capt. R. Preiss, from
Kowloon Wharf, for S'hai, Kobe,
and Yokohama, p.m.—Melchers &
Co. (Tel. 27772).

Yochow, British, 1,829 regis-
tered tons, Captain D. Wilson, from
Swatow, Fochow, W.H.W., Chefoo
and T'sin, 11 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel.
30331).

Tai Sang, British, 1,949 regis-
tered tons, Capt. W. A. Balch, from
buoy No. B8, for Swatow, S'hai,
Chefoo and T'sin, 4 p.m.—J.M. &
Co. (Tel. 30311).

Friderun, German, 1,470 regis-
tered tons, Captain G. Bloem, from
Kowloon Dock, for Madang and
Rabaul, p.m.—Melchers & Co. (Tel.
27772).

Kitano Maru, Japanese, from
buoy No. A11, for Manila and Aus-
tralia, p.m.—N.Y.K. (Tel. 30291).

Kiangsu, British, 1,555 regis-
tered tons, Captain R. Allinson, from
buoy No. B3, for Swatow and S'hai,
10 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

R.C. Rickmers, German, 3,197 reg-
istered tons, Captain Rappach, from
Stoncutters, for S'hai and Yoko-
hama, p.m.—Jebson & Co. (Tel.
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Gustav Diederichsen, for S'tow.
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Soudan, for Shanghai.

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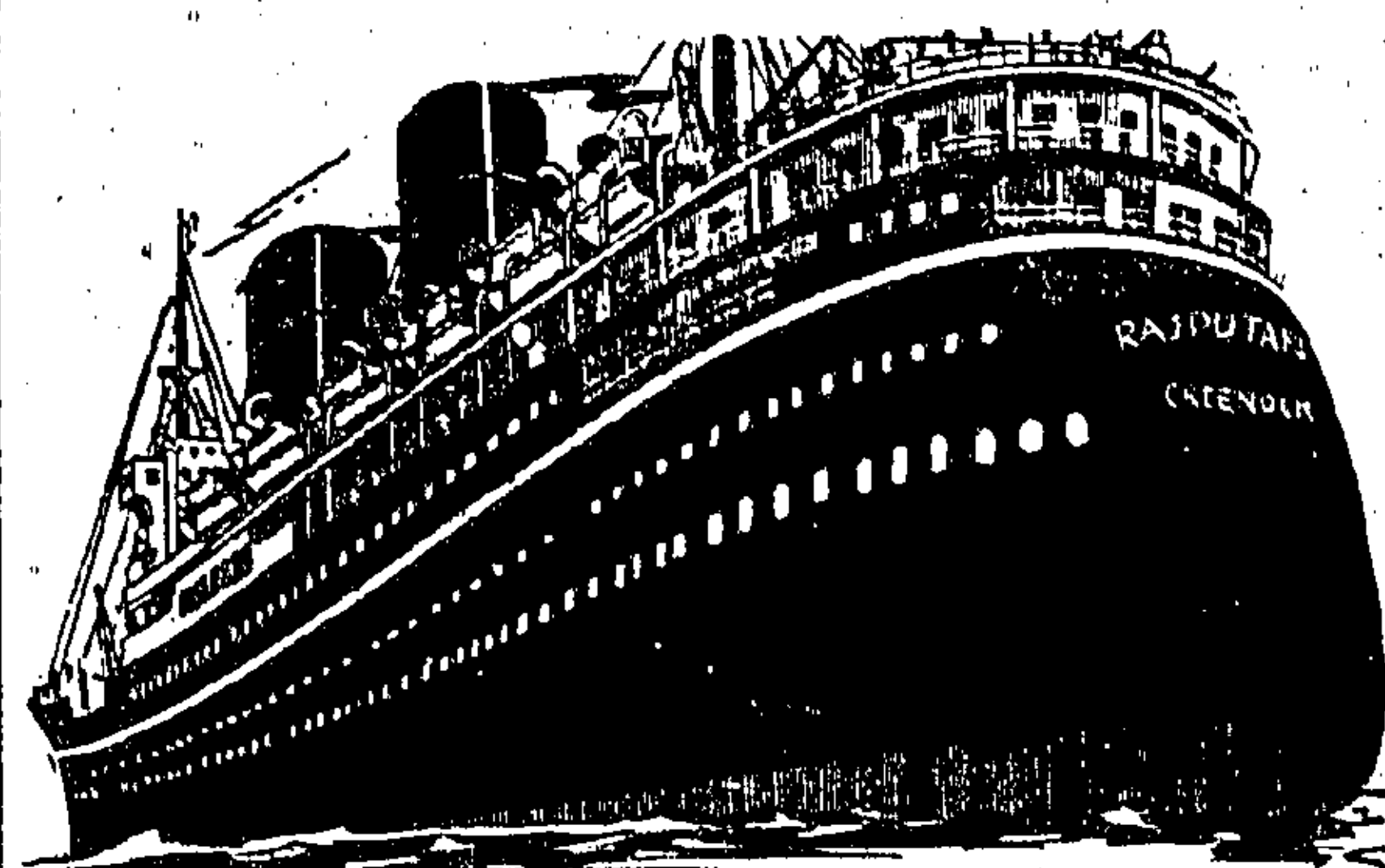
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*RAJPUTANA	17,000	4th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BEHAR	6,000	11th Feb.	Mars, Havre, London, Hull, H'bg, R'dam, & Antwerp.
RANCHI	17,000	18th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	7,000	25th Feb.	B'bay, Mars, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam, & A'werp.
*SRANPURA	17,000	4th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	18th Mar.	B'bay, Mars, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam, & A'werp.
*BUDWAN	6,000	25th Mar.	do.
CANTON	16,000	1st Apr.	do.
CORFU	14,500	15th Apr.	do.
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TALMA	10,000	18th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
RAWALPINDI	17,000	17th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
*BUDWAN	6,000	18th Feb.	do.
SHIRALA	8,000	2nd Mar.	Japan
CANTON	16,000	3rd Mar.	Shanghai & Japan
*HIBALA	8,000	16th Mar.	Japan
CORFU	14,500	17th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan
*SOMALI	7,000	18th Mar.	do.
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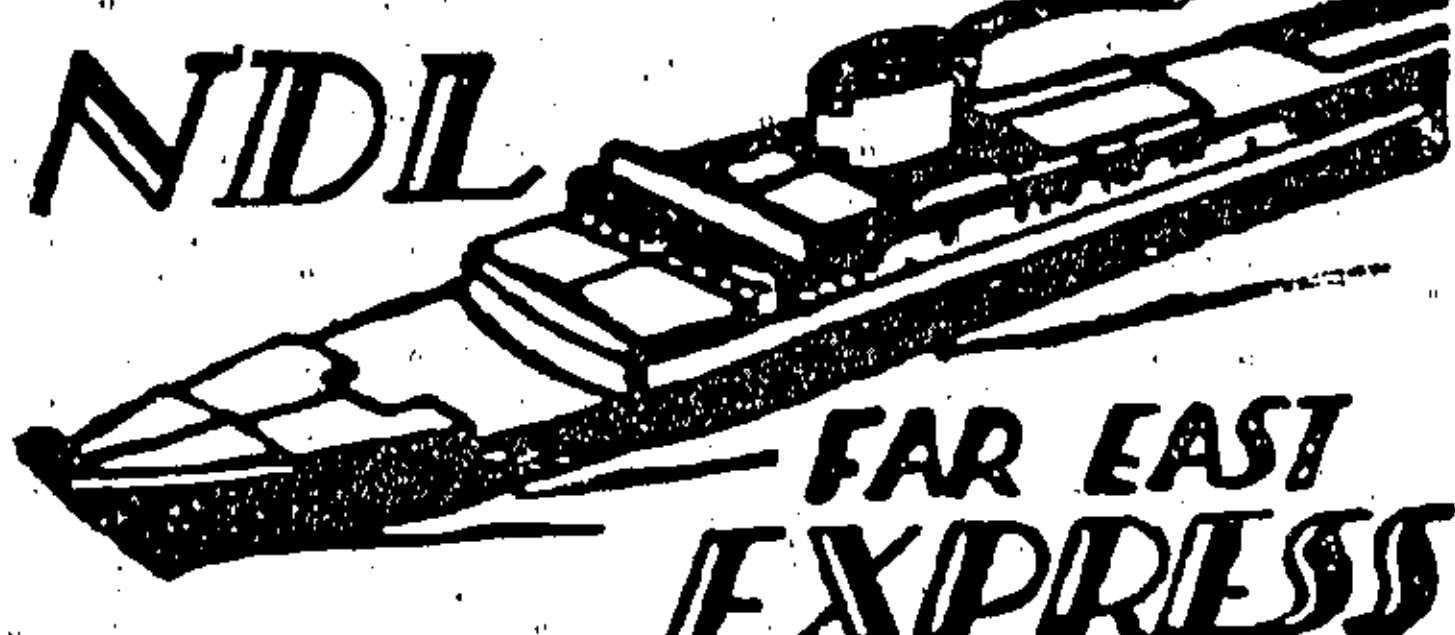
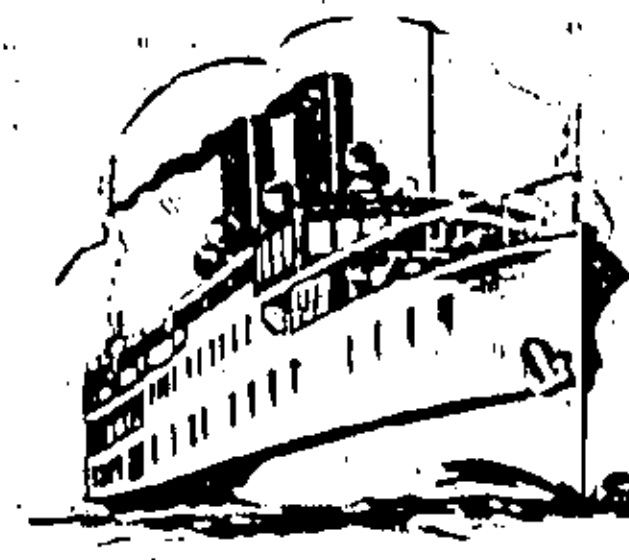
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DEFENCE DENIALAccused Alleges Principal
Witness Party To Crime

THE FIRST OF THE TWO murder cases, on the calendar of this month's Criminal Sessions began at the Supreme Court yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and a jury comprising Messrs. R. Petrie (Foreman), W. K. Way, Cheung Wing-shing, A. G. Goldan, Wong Tso-fong, Wang Shu-chuen and Chang Sai-cheung.

Accused were Chan Yeung and Tse Chun, mining coolies, and they were charged with the killing of a fellow coolie named Wong Kwai-fong on the hillside off the Tai Po Road on December 1. The Crown alleged that deceased owned first accused \$10, and a possible motive for the crime, which was committed during an outing in which three other men took part, was that Wong had refused to repay the money.

The defence is a complete denial, with the added allegation that the Crown's principal witness was a party to the crime.

Evidence was taken yesterday, after which the hearing was adjourned till this morning. Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, and accused were represented by Mr. G. She, instructed by Mr. P. H. Sin.

Mr. Williams said the principal characters in the case were all Chinese coolies who had been working in tin mines in the Dutch East Indies. They were the two accused, the deceased, two men, one named Chan Chun, and another who bore the nickname of "Tau-Pei-Chai".

TAKEN TO BOARDING-HOUSE

They returned from the Dutch East Indies on November 23 and on arrival here were each paid \$5 as fare for their return to the country. When the ship docked they were met by a man named Tang Lung-wai and another man named Ho Kwok-fu, who had also worked in the Dutch mines. They apparently made a habit of meeting emigrants and arranging boarding-house accommodation for them.

They took this batch of coolies to a boarding-house at No. 205, Yee Kuk Street, second floor, run by a man named Ah Fat. There, about 5 p.m. on the same day, an incident occurred which might have been some reason for the attack made on deceased, by first accused at least.

"First accused was heard asking Wong for the return of \$10, which he had borrowed whilst they were in the Dutch East Indies," Mr. Williams continued. "Wong replied he could not repay as he had lost the money in gambling."

"Nothing further happened until the afternoon of December 1, when Tang, the two accused, Wong, Chan Chun and one Tau-Pei-Chai went to a stream up the hillside off Tai Po Road to bathe. On the way they met Leung Wan, also an inmate of the boarding-house, who was going to the stream to wash some clothes.

"On arrival at the stream, the party divided into two groups, one going about 36 feet above the other. Leung Wan did not join them but went about a mile away. The group above consisted of the two accused and Wong.

THE ATTACK

"After he had bathed, Chan Chun stood on a rock. He looked up the stream at the other group and saw Wong squatting down. There was no quarrel or anything of the sort going on, but suddenly he saw the first accused pick up a stone and throw it at Wong. The stone struck Wong on the head and he was knocked unconscious, falling flat on his back without saying a word.

"The first accused was then a few feet away, and he followed up his attack by picking up two rocks, one weighing 65 lbs., and dropping them on Wong's body and face. The second prisoner then joined in and he also threw two rocks at the body. After this, the first accused tore a branch off a tree and beat Wong with it.

"On seeing this, Chan went to the scene, but the first accused turned to him and said: 'This is my affair. Don't you interfere or you will be beaten.' The two prisoners then tied Wong's ankles together and left."

PARTY GO TO TSUN WAN

Continuing, Counsel said that evidence would show that the party returned to the boarding house, and on the following morning, Tang suggested going to Tsun Wan to look for work. He was accompanied by the party that had gone with him to the stream with the exception, of course, of deceased. The first accused found work at Kwai Cheung Village while the second, together with Chan Chun, obtained employment at Lo Wai Village. Tang and Tau

HEARING:

Inspector A.E. Carey, police officer in charge of investigations in the case, said in evidence that it was seldom that men of the type of the accused would interfere when anything serious was happening. It was also very unusual for them to report after such an incident. He spoke with nearly 20 years' experience in the police force.

DEFENCE OPENS

The case for the Crown concluded with formal police evidence, after which Mr. She put first accused in the witness-box. There Chan Yeung denied that he had ever had a quarrel with deceased about a debt of \$10. Deceased in fact never owed him any money, and he had not previously known him in Man Tok in the Dutch East Indies.

On the afternoon of the murder Tang had suggested going to bathe. He had accompanied the party, but did not actually go up the hillside. He went with them along the road up to the third cross-road, and then he went his own way. After about ten minutes second accused joined him. He had dropped out of the party because of the sun's heat and because he wanted to go elsewhere. He had never attacked deceased as the Crown alleged.

Cross examined by Mr. Williams, accused said after he had left the party he went to have a meal and then walked up and down with second accused, watching hawkers, and squatting down every now and again.

ACCUSED'S ACCUSATIONS

Mr. Williams: What reason is there for Chan Chun, who is on friendly terms with you, to come here and invent a story? Chan Chun had been talking with Tang and for two or three hours, and it is very easy for one to come up and say something against another.

But why?—Since Chan Chun, Tang, and "Tau-Pei-Chai" had killed someone, they wanted to shift the blame on to me.

You say Chan Chun had a party?—Oh, certainly.

How do you know?—I do not know. I say that because he brought the police around to have me arrested two or three days after Tang and Tau-Pei-Chai had escaped.

Following further cross-examination, hearing was adjourned till this morning.

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